



# BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



† Sacred Heart Church, 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

## Parish Priest

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Mr Mike Wilkinson

## Chairperson - Finance Board

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## Weekly Diary

### Monday 29th January

9.00am Mass

### Tuesday 30th January

No Mass

### Wednesday 31st January

6.00pm Mass

### Thursday 1st February

9.00am

### Friday 2nd February

9.00am Mass - Followed by  
Adoration & Benediction

11.00am Mass - Riverview Gardens Hostel

### Saturday 3rd February

4.00pm-4.30pm - Reconciliation

5.00pm Vigil Mass - Booval

### Sunday 4th February

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 28th January, 2018

### What's your demon?

My father was a gambler – or so I have been told. Mum used to say, ‘Your father’s a gambler, that’s why he took up mushroom farming.’ It was only after he died that I learnt the story. He came from a poor family and having gotten a scholarship to university, he lost a lot of that money on the horses. Well, through sheer hard work he was able to stay at Uni but he never bet on the horses again. Early in life, he faced a demon squarely and judged how weak he was. And he was the better man for it.

We each and all have demons. Part of the genius of the 12 step programs is to get people to face them squarely. Our demons don’t have to be as obvious as addiction to alcohol, gambling or drugs. Anything that undermines the growth of life and love within us is a ‘demon’. The man Jesus cured in this Gospel was not a vicious low life. This was a respectable man who attended synagogue! So what was his demon – resentment, concern for respectability, fear of what others think? We need to face our demons because it is then that we will be open to the salvation that Jesus offers: life to the full. If our lives seem less than full, we need to come before Jesus and ask for the healing that he so wants to give us. *Sr Kym Harris osb*



The Australian Bishops have identified the liturgical year of 2018 (which began on the first Sunday of Advent last year) as a national Year of Youth. This year invites the Church into prayerful discernment about the importance and life-giving presence of young people in the local Church and society. It calls for dialogue and active engagement focused on the reconnection and renewal of a new generation of young people in the life of the Church (adapted from the ACBC Year of Youth website). A number of events about and for youth will be hosted by the Brisbane Archdiocese during the year so keep an eye out for upcoming events. More information can also be found on the ACBC website <https://youth.catholic.org.au/year-of-youth>

What's happening in our parish:  
A new song written for our Archdiocese for the Year of Youth was introduced at our youth mass last weekend and will filter into our other parish masses as the year goes on.  
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If you would like any information on these groups or anything else on the Year of Youth please call Donna at the parish office 3282 1888.



## Mass times for ASH WEDNESDAY

14 February 2018

9.00am - Amare Centre [School Hall]

6.00pm - Sacred Heart Church

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be celebrated on **Fridays at 8.30am** before the 9am mass during Lent.

## DIARY DATES

Tuesday 30th Jan - 9.30am Craft Group



**WALTZING MATILDAS - Tuesday 6th February 2018** leaving 8am from Parish Centre. "Mystery Trip". Please bring mug and water bottle. Cost \$40. Bookings and cancellations Ph Anne Hall - (Home) 3288 9240, (Mob.) 0408 773 734.

**St Edmunds Old Boys Association Annual General Meeting** to be held at **10.00am on Sunday 4 February 2018** at the Old Boys House, 2 Macgregor Street Woodend. All enquiries to be made to Andrew McGrath on 3389 6858 or 0438 164 452.

### FETE NEWS

We are calling for donations of art & craft items, books, plants, Trash n Treasure items, and more importantly your time, to make this year's fete on **22 July** the community event of the year!

If you have a specific skill to share eg graphic designer, public relations, carpenter, electrician, gardening, baking, sewing, or if you would like to help but unsure how, please contact the convenor Kath Doyle on 0421 000 057

We also encourage any business owners who may be interested in our sponsorship proposal to call Kath.

**You are invited to our next fete meeting at McDonald's Booval meeting room on Wednesday 31 January at 6.30pm.**

### Report from St Vincent de Paul - Booval-Riverview Conference for the calendar year 31st December 2017

Our members attended 751 home visits comprising some 1083 adults and 1056 children with food vouchers amounting to \$42,243 and in kind assistance of \$25,630 totalling some \$67,873. Members gratefully thank parishioners, friends of Vinnies, CWL as well as the school communities of Sacred Heart Primary, St Peter Claver College and After School Care Community of Sacred Heart Primary for their contribution to the Christmas Appeal and donation of items for Christmas hamper distribution. Also we thank our Secret Santa Family who acquire Christmas gifts during the year, gift wrap them with age and gender of child. Thank you all.

**"Kind Deeds Change Lives"**

**"Life is Good Live to Give"**

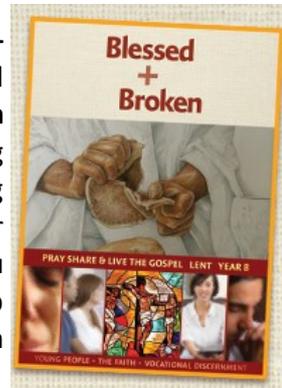


**"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties."** - 1 Corinthians 7:32

Jesus' call to "Follow me" is a call to all. How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not

having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this - use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future.

**LENTEN PROGRAM "Blessed + Broken"** - The first of six sessions will commence the week of the **12th February**. This year we are offering a Lenten Group one evening during the week possibly a Monday or Tuesday at the Parish Centre. If you would like to be part of this group please phone the Parish Office on 3282 1888 as soon as possible.



### BOOVAL PARISH FAMILY GROUPS

King Family Group to gather at 9.30 this Monday morning, 29th, at Queens Park Kiosk for morning tea. Any parishioner is welcome to join us. Ph. Des 3282 2403

**Marlee Molloy** who is two years old and was born with a severe heart defect has just undergone her third major operation. She lives with her father Chris [son of Jenny Molloy] and mother Jennifer in Switzerland and great granddaughter of Pauline Molloy. She has come through her latest operation very well and the heart surgeon who is one of the best in the world is very pleased with the outcome. She will spend two weeks in intensive care and another two weeks in a normal ward. Chris, Jen, Jenny, family and myself thank you for your prayers. Please continue to keep Marlee in your prayers.

*God bless - Pauline Molloy*

**Little King's Movement Annual Church Appeal** will take place at all masses on the **3rd/4th February**. The Movement caters for people with disabilities in social and spiritual activities. There is no Government funding and the Movement is staffed by volunteers. Each year the calls for their services are increasing. The Movement, though based on Catholic beliefs is truly ecumenical, and all members are welcomed and respected for their own beliefs. There is no charge for any of the services provided by the Movement. The Church Appeal is one of the major fundraisers for the year. In previous years this Parish has been very generous even in the most difficult financial times, for which the Movement is most grateful.

The Australian Christian Meditation Community Queensland Invites you to a morning of meditation, information, reflection and discussion on

### MEDITATION AND AGING

Are you resisting getting old, or working on your vocation of growing old?

**WHEN:** Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> February 2018

**WHERE:** Uniting Church, 52 Merthyr Road, New Farm

**TIME:** Morning tea 9.30am, program 10am – 12.30pm.

BYO lunch

**COST:** Suggested donation \$10

**FURTHER INFORMATION:**

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**GLORIA** [ausbwlwccm@gmail.com](mailto:ausbwlwccm@gmail.com), 4667 9187

**A VOCATION VIEW** - Let us not get confused that power and authority are two very different things. We must imitate Jesus and use these gifts in service of the poor. It is this power that is at work in us.