



BOOVAL CATHOLIC PARISH



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Weekly Diary

Monday 1st August

No Mass

Tuesday 2nd August

7.00pm Mass

Wednesday 3rd August

9.00am Mass

Thursday 4th August

9.00am Mass

Friday 5th August

9.00am Mass - Followed by
Adoration & Benediction

Saturday 6th August

4.00pm-4.15pm Reconciliation

4.30pm Vigil Mass - Booval

6.00pm Vigil Mass - Riverview

Sunday 7th August

19th 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.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30th/31st July, 2016

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hat a clanger! Jesus is talking to the people about the persecution, even death that his followers will face for their beliefs, and this man demands, demands no less, that Jesus ensure that he gets his share of his inheritance. 'Pleonexia' does that to people. This is what Jesus says has warped his heart. 'Pleonexia' is the vice of avarice, the passion to have more and more. One of its effects is to blind people: to what they really need; to the needs of others; and to the true source of what they have, God. People infected by this go on wanting more and more things, bigger and better experiences, never finding contentment.

How's your 'pleonexia' by the way? It takes a strong person not to be infected by this disease given the way Australian society operates at present. Ads constantly tell us to get 'bigger and better', or 'smaller and faster' (irrespective of our true needs). We watch so-called reality TV shows based of people competing in cooking more exotic food, building more glamorous living spaces. (What's competition got to do with need?) Our economy is based on growth at all costs - and yet, in spite of a boom, we have failed to invest in the major infrastructures we really do need. Indeed, it seems that the only 'respectable way' to deal with excess money in our society is by gambling. By the way, Australia has the highest rate of gambling per head of population in the world. The next nation comes in at half our rate. Imagine if that money was spent on schools, hospitals, roads, rehabilitation of prisoners...and dare I say it, asylum seekers. 'Pleonexia' has blinded us to common sense.

At present, how often do you meet a truly content person, one who has placed their trust in God and shares their excess generously with the needy? They are the exceptional people in our society and Jesus is inspiring us to join their ranks. When we have enough, we are called to be 'rich' towards God: we are to care for the needy. I finish with a line I read recently. 'If you are not content with what you have, nothing you acquire will make you happy.'

Sr Kym Harris OSB

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fter giving the issue of our recent mass times trial very careful consideration and in consultation and guidance with the Pastoral Council and others, Fr Joji has made a decision that with the help of a supply priest our mass times commencing the weekend of the 13th/14th August will be as follows:- **Saturday 5.00pm vigil at Booval and Sunday 7.00am Booval, 8.15am Riverview and 9.30am Booval.** These changes will be put in place for a period of twelve months after which time we will look at where we go from there.

One of the things that came out of the survey which parishioners took part in before the trial was the importance of the each individual worshipping community within the Booval/Riverview parish. Fr Joji is very aware of how difficult our mass times trial has been for some of our parishioners and the hope is that through this experience we can move forward as a prayerful, supportive and welcoming parish.

Members of the Pastoral Council will speak at all masses this weekend.

DIARY DATES



Tuesday 2nd August at 9.30am: Craft Group
Thursday 4th August at 4.30pm: St Vincent de Paul meeting
Friday 5th August at 9.30am: Meditation
at 10.00am: Charismatic Renewal Group

DATE CLAIMER:

PARISH PICNIC Sunday 11th September, 2016

Heather Danaher would like to thank parishioners for their many prayers, cards and flowers on the recent passing of her husband Michael.



Thank you to the parishioners who attended Keith's funeral and for all your prayers and many cards and flowers. **Allie Atwell**

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK -

The team who take communion to Riverview Gardens are in need of another member to help them in this very special ministry. If you feel you can help out with this important ministry please phone the Parish Office on 3282 1888.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

For church cleaning, hospitality, readers and ministers and all our groups - we are in great need of extra helpers. If you have some spare time and would love to join in, we would love to welcome you. Please contact the Office on 3282 1888 and find out how you can help. This a way in which we can share out time and talents.

"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." Luke 12:15

The Gospel message today is so contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not store up or hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle.

Time for a smile ☺

It's not my fault I have a double chin. When God was giving out chins, I thought he said gin, so I said "I'll have a double.

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.



A very big Thank You to all those wonderful people who helped out in the Coffee Shop at the Fete last Sunday. Also to all those who baked their yummy cakes, slices, etc. Without your contributions it would not have been the success that it was.

Marian Valley Canungra – All are invited to celebrate a Special Birthday of Our Lady, at Marian Valley, Canungra on **Saturday 3rd September 2016** commencing 10am with Exposition, Rosary, Reconciliation, Holy Mass (lunch avail). Eucharistic Procession and Divine Mercy Chaplet – Mass Celebrant: Most Rev Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE, Bishop of the Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes. For those not wishing to drive, a bus will leave **French St, Booval at 8.00am and Tessman St, Riverview at 8.10am**. Fare \$20 – bookings and info Ann 3282 0321.

St Edmund's College Old Boys Golf Day

Sunday August 28 2016 - 6.00 am Breakfast. 6.30 am Tee Off.

Sandy Gallop Golf Club, Lobb Street, Churchill

18 hole, 4 Ball Ambrose

Cost \$30.00

Raffle Ticket, Breakfast, a Hamburger Lunch and Complimentary Drink (Beer or Soft Drink) Included. Anyone can enter and play. You do not have to be a member of the Old Boys. You don't need an Official Golf Handicap. Please Phone Ross Cruice on 3288 6105 or 0437 114 598 or the College on 3810 4400.



Bridge to Brisbane 2016



We invite you to walk or run in solidarity with the innocent people of the Middle East who have been forced to flee for their safety, who have lost loved ones, and who will suffer the effects of conflict long after it is over. The event will be held on Sunday 28th August.

Contact Joe Foley on 3324 3134 or email at josephf@caritas.org.au for more information.

Note: appropriate for all fitness levels (walkers welcome).

PARISH NEWSLETTER - Our parish newsletter can be viewed on line by going to www.boovalcatholicparish.org.au

QUO VADIS WEEKEND - Vocation Brisbane invites young men who are considering priesthood to attend the Quo Vadis weekend held at the seminary. The weekend introduces men to the life and ministry of the priest, formation at the seminary and how to discern the call.

Dates: 26th – 28th August 2016. Venue: Holy Spirit Seminary. Cost: \$50 (or by donation). Registration closes: 29th July 2016.

Please contact Adam Burns, burnsa@bne.catholic.net.au to register or for more information.

A VOCATION VIEW: Another sign of Vocation is that your heart is more intent on things of heaven rather than on things of earth. God is everything: the only thing.