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The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you

- Sydney Auxiliary Bishop Richard Umbers marched alongside tens of thousands for the March for Life 2020 in Washington
- Aboriginal elder and educator Aunty Joan Hendriks died and is being remembered for her commitment to her culture and as a guiding light for Aboriginal Creation spirituality and
- As three saintly relics make their way to Queensland, Carmelite Sister Catherine Ann reflects on the role the relics of St Therese of Lisieux played in her vocational journey to religious

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LITURGY

CELEBRATING TRIDUUM AND EASTER

This workshop will be offered twice. BRISBANE The same content will be delivered at each of the two venues.

Please select the date and time that suits you best.

Tuesday 11 February 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Fr Denis Power Centre 333 Given Terrace, Paddington Saturday 15 February 9:00am - 12:00 noon Aspinall Hall 4 Klumpp Road, Upper Mount Gravatt The workshops aim to:

assist parish liturgy committees with preparing the various celebrations of the Triduum, the heart of the Liturgical Year look at what liturgy committees might do to ensure that the fifty days of Easter Time 'are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast

day, or better as one great Sunday' (GNLYC #22). Presenters will explore the rituals & texts of the Triduum and Easter Time, suggest musical repertoire, and discuss ideas for preparing appropriate environment and symbol.

Please contact Parish Office as all registrations are online

TRAINING FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS (Readers and Communion Ministers)

This workshop will be offered twice.

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Tuesday 14 July 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Aspinall Hall

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This is an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic committed Catholic to join the Parish team and assist them with the coordination of their pastoral ministry programs.

To apply for this position, please email or send your current resume and a covering letter outlining your suitability for the position to newfarm@bne.catholic.net.au. Applications should include the name of two (2) referees one of which preferably sho uld be a Parish Priest.

Applications close (14th February 2020) to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or

vulnerable adults.

You are invited to share in a Community Forum Care For Our Common World Living Laudata Si..... Think Globally, Act Locally

> Saturday February 15th 2020 9am—1.45pm

Our Lady Queen of Apostles 70 Appleby Rd Stafford

The earth is essentially a shared inheritance, whose fruits are meant to benefit everyone." (Pope Francis, Laudato Si, Chapter 2) We are called to learn, to understand, to reflect and to act upon the wisdoms of Pope Francis as he challenges all people of good will to make an 'ecological conversion'. At the community forum we will look at the message within Laudato Si, engage with guest speakers from government, non government and Christian organisations, exchange ideas and grow in knowledge, so that we are better equipped to care for our Common Home. Expressions of Interest: email: stafford@bne.catholic.net.au or call 07 3356 7155



EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

St Mary's - South Brisbane; St Ita's - Dutton Park: St Francis of Assisi - West End & Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - Fairfield. Under the care of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars



The Presentation of the Lord 2 February 2020 - Year A

Dear Parishioners

Today we are celebrating the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This feast proclaims Christ as the Light of the World. The event we are celebrating today takes us back to what Mary and Joseph did when, 40 days after the birth of Jesus when they presented their child to God as their firstborn son, complying with the Law of Moses. At the presentation in the Temple, Mary, the faithful Virgin who took part with him in the eternal plan of salvation, as she was on Calvary.

The presentation of Jesus in the temple served two purposes; the first is the redemption of the first-born and the second is the purification of Mary. The first-born belonged to the Lord according to the Book of Exodus 13:1-2 but Numbers 18:15-16 tells us the first-born could be redeemed or bought back by paying five shekels. The purification of the mother in Jewish Law was purification from ritual uncleanness after childbirth. Of course Our Lady did not need this purification because she was a virgin before, during and after the birth of Jesus but went through this purification process to fulfil the Law. It was the moment the baby Jesus who visited the Temple for the first time offered himself to the Father to fulfil the call of obedience. Mary offers herself to God as an act of thanksaiving for the choice God made of her as the mother of His only Son and thus fulfils her "yes" of the Annunciation.

The traditional liturgy for the day is called Candlemas, because of its ancient rite of blessing of the candles to be

MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church (20 Merivale St. South Brisbane) Sunday: 9am and 5pm

St Francis' Church (47 Dornoch Tce., West End) Sunday: 9am

St Ita's Church (Pope St., Dutton Park) Saturday (Vigil): 5pm; Sunday: 8.00am Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

(Victoria St., Fairfield) Sunday: 7am (Anointing: 1st Sunday)

CONFESSION

St Mary's Church:

Fri: 7.30am—8am Sat: 8.30-9.00am; Sun: 4-4.45pm

St Ita's Church: Sat: 4-4.50pm

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used in the church for the next year — a practice dating from the middle of the fifth century. On this day the Church celebrates the Day of Consecrated Life in this setting of light, faith and hope. All those who have offered their life to Christ for ever for the coming of the Kingdom of God are invited to renew their "ves" to the special vocation they have received. The entire Ecclesial Community, however, also rediscovers the riches of the prophetic witness of consecrated life in the variety of its charisms and apostolic commitments.

God bless you and have great weekend, Fr. Joshy Parappully OFM Cap Parish priest

The Little Kings Movement for the Handicapped This Weekend 1st & 2nd February 2020

"The Little King's Movement" once a year conducts a Parish Appeal. 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. Envelopes are on the pews at mass centres this weekend please consider giving generously. If at this time you are unable to help financially you may be able to give of your time or talents, if so please contact the Movement on 33911432 or lkm67@bigpond.net.au

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Parish Activities in 2020

BAPTISMS

Saturday | 9.30 a.m. | monthly
1st Saturday St Francis'
2nd Saturday St Mary's
3rd Saturday St Ita's

Family preparation sessions on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 9.30 a.m. Bookings essential.

ADORATION

Sunday: 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m. St Mary's Church

DIVINE MERCY

PRAYER AND QUIET REFLECTION

Sunday: 4:15pm St Mary's Church

Monday to Friday: 12:00 noon—2:00 p.m.

at St Mary's Church

AWAKEN: TOGETHER IN CHRIST

1st Saturday of the month at 6:00 p.m. St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End website: awaken.org.au

ST FRANCIS TABLE—Ministry to the Elderly

Recommences from Monday 3 February 2020

Monday: 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the month | St Mary's Church 7:00 a.m. 1st Sunday of the month | OLPS Fairfield 7:00 a.m.

PARISH MORNING TEAS

Every Sunday St Mary's (and Feast Days)
1st Sunday of the month

OLPS Fairfield after 7:00 a.m. Mass St Francis Church after 9:00 a.m. mass

FAMILY MASS

4th Saturday of the month | St Ita's Church 5:00 p.m. (school term only)

RISING YOUTH MINISTRY RYM

3rd Sunday of the month | St Francis Hall 1.30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We would like to help you feel at home in the Parish. Would you please make yourselves known to our Priests and to the parishioners who greet you as you arrive. Welcome leaflets with basic information about the parish are also available either at the door of the church or by contacting the parish office. Thank you for becoming part of our community.

READINGS AT MASS

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 47: 10-11

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple.

Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

First reading Malachi 3:1-4

The Lord God says this: Look, I am going to send my messenger to prepare a way before me. And the Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his Temple; and the angel of the covenant whom you are longing for, yes, he is coming, says the Lord of Hosts. Who will be able to resist the day of his coming? Who will remain standing when he appears? For he is like the refiner's fire and the fullers' alkali. He will take his seat as refiner and purifier; he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and then they will make the offering to the Lord as it should be made. The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will then be welcomed by the Lord as in former days, as in the years of old. The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 23:7-10

R/ Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors.

Let him enter, the king of glory! R/

Who is the king of glory? The Lord, the mighty, the valiant, the Lord, the valiant in war. **R**/

O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! **R**/

Who is he, the king of glory?

He, the Lord of armies, he is the king of glory. R/

Second reading Hebrews 2:14-18

Since all the children share the same blood and flesh, Jesus too shared equally in it, so that by his death he could take away all the power of the devil, who had power over death, and set free all those who had been held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. For it was not the angels that he took to himself; he took to himself descent from Abraham. It was essential that he should in this way become completely like his brothers so that he could be a compassionate and trustworthy high priest of God's religion, able to atone for human sins. That is, because he has himself been through temptation he is able to help others who are tempted. The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 2:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

This is the light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people, Israel. Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 2:22-40

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord – observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord – and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God; and he said:

'Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.'

As the child's father and mother stood there wondering at the things that were being said about him, Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'You see this child: he is destined for the fall and for the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected – and a sword will pierce your own soul too – so that the secret thoughts of many may be laid bare.'

There was a prophetess also, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was well on in years. Her days of girlhood over, she had been married for seven years before becoming a widow. She was now eighty-four years old and never left the Temple, serving God night and day with fasting and prayer. She came by just at that moment and began to praise God; and she spoke of the child to all who looked forward to the deliverance of lerusalem.

When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God's favour was with him. The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon Lk 2: 30-31

My eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Isaiah 58:7-10 2nd reading: Cor 2:1-5 Gospel Mt 5:13-16

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St Ita's Children's Liturgy

Starting this Saturday 1 February at the 5pm Vigil Mass
For primary school ages 5-12 yrs old
Bring your children along, they will be blessed with a short
children's liturgy during the first part of mass
under the stewardship of Sr Salvacion.

Our Parish follows the guidelines of the Archdiocese of Brisbane for engagement of all volunteers and creates an environment that fosters child safety and wellbeing.

Sacrament of Penance 2020

This sacramental program is now open for enrolment. If you wish for your child who is in year 5 or older to receive the Sacrament of Penance, please complete the enrolment forms and return to the Parish Office. The enrolment forms are available from our websites www.southbrisbanestmarys.org.au or www.duttonparkcatholic.org.au

This is a combined Sacramental program for St Francis of Assisi, St Ita's and St Mary's.

Important Dates:

- Closing dates: Thursday 20 February
- Information Night: Thursday 27 February-6pm (St Ita's Church)
- Workshop: Saturday 7 March from 9am (St Francis' Hall)
- Celebration: Wednesday 11 March-6pm (St Ita's Church)

It is important both candidate and parent/guardian to attend all the events. For more information and enquiry contact the Parish Office 3844 2744 sacramental.duttonpark@bne.catholic.net.au

Volunteers

We welcome volunteers at each of our mass centres, it is a wonderful way to connect with our faith community and share the load. At the moment we especially have a need for the St Ita's Vigil Mass and counting for the Dutton Park Parish. If you would like to volunteer, speak with Fr Joshy or one of our mass coordinators after mass to see what's involved or call the office.



Treasury Project - www.treasuryproject.org.au - a guide to help memorize a scripture (1 each week for 52 weeks) for the year in 2020. Sign up online.

This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses)

Monday 3rd February

R/ Lord, rise up and save me.

Tuesday 4th:

R/ Listen, Lord, and answer me.

Wednesday 5th St Agatha (Memorial)

R/Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.

Thursday 6th: St Paul Miki and companions (Memorial)

R/ Lord, you are exalted over all.

Friday 7th:

R/ Blessed be God my salvation.

Saturday 8th:

R/ Lord, teach me your decrees.



PRAYERS FOR AUSTRALIA

"Oz Rosary' has invited Catholics around Australia to pray the rosary, attend mass, spend time with the Lord and intercede for our country, rain, the bushfires and protection on Australia. Please join us on Saturdays during January, following 8.00am Mass, to pray the Rosary for those experiencing enormous struggle and distress as a result of the bushfires around Australia.

