

Year A
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
14th June
Liturgical Colour: Green



ST. WILLIAM'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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See with the eyes of Jesus

God said, "I bore you on eagle's wings". How does that make you feel? Do you feel squeezed with love? Yes! God in his unconditional, compassionate love held the Israelites in a loving relationship – **so he does with us**. And, as with the Israelites, we do not always honour this relationship. St. Paul speaking to the Romans (5:6-11), *and we believe this*, said that no matter how much there is gloom, doom, and hopelessness about us, God continues to be faithful to us through Jesus. "God proves his love for us in that, while we still were sinners, Christ died for us." Our God never abandons. We all know of someone who has felt down, out, and hopeless yet they hung on. They placed their total self in Jesus' arms, knowing it is God's love and providence that holds them. Moving forward, they do so with reliance on His grace and with hope.

Countless times in the gospels Jesus reaches out with compassion to care for, to heal, to forgive. It is simple to imagine Jesus looking out at the people gathered around and thinking, just as Matthew has written, "sheep without a shepherd". On this day Jesus, in that field in Galilee, shares his vision with the Twelve. Twelve men – who had very individual characters and very diverse professions. They were a bit rough around the edges and the common factor that drew them together was they were all followers of Jesus. Jesus invited them to see what he saw - people lost, harassed, hopeless, and unwell, "like sheep without a shepherd". Their mission was to see with compassion.

Like the twelve apostles, our community is a diverse group of people. We have different interests, come from different backgrounds, different economic and education experiences, have various homeland ethnicity, we have different opinions on every subject. Yet we too have been summoned to see the people around us with the same compassion that Jesus sees us. What our parishioners have in common is Baptism. Each called by name. The same water poured over us. "I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son and the Holy Spirit." Our baptism, our being named for Christ, sends us out to see with Jesus' eyes and act accordingly – where we live, work, and play. We are walking side by side with the Twelve, and those who over time have looked at us with Jesus' eyes and cared for us and empowered us.



Far beyond the walls of our church, our baptism drives us and empowers us. We do not look for the rewards. We look to be Christ in the world - sensitive, humble, gentle, just, and gracious. This is the work of God's people in every time and place.

This weekend our young people preparing for First Communion are welcomed by the community. Baptism began their life in our Catholic Community and Eucharist will nourish it. May we all pray that our example will help them as they mature and they will have vision and sensitivity to those who need them. And Eucharist, as it strengthens us, will nourish them to see and hear the way Jesus did.

This week, let us join with the psalmist who calls us to sing: *Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. (today's responsorial psalm)*

Jan Whiteway

We, the parishioners of the Catholic Parishes of Grovely and Samford, acknowledge the Turrbal People who are the Traditional Custodians of this land. We pay respect to the Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People present.

LITURGY TIMES

15th June to 21st June

Grovely

St William's

Wednesday: 7:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday: 9:00am Mass

Next Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:00am Mass

9:00am Family Mass

5:00pm Mass

Samford

Sacred Heart

Thursday: 6:00pm Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion

Next Weekend:

Sunday: 8:00am Mass

FUTURE CELEBRATIONS

Monday, 22nd June 9:00am Mt. Maria College Lavalla House Mass
Our Lady of Dolours

Thursday, 25th June 9:00am St. William's School Feast Day Mass
St. William's Church

Monday, 29th June 9:30am Fr. Nigel 15-year Celebration Mass

Thursday, 2nd July 10:00am Mass of Anointing of the Sick
St. William's Church

EVERGREENS

Trivia Morning

Thursday, 18th June – 10:00am
Arana Leagues Club

Please book with Bernie Madden bmmadden_56@hotmail.com
04221 400 696

If you wish to hear more about the Evergreens group and our activities, contact John & Joan

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All retired parishioners welcome to participate.

This Week's Readings: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 19:2-6
Romans 5:6-11
Matthew 9:36 - 10:8

Next Week's Readings: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 20:10-13
Romans 5:12-15
Matthew 10:26-33

GROVELY



Baptisms

We joyfully announce the Baptisms of

Arthur Ball, Mason Bell, Miley Bell, and Kyan Pollard-Ong

and warmly welcome them into our faith community!

Faith Circle

We meet on Monday at 9:30am for a 10:00am start. For **Monday, 15th June**, we will be in the Parish Library (normally the Daley Centre). Come and see what we are about. All welcome!

Christian Meditation Group

All are welcome to join us at every Tuesday at 7.00pm in the Church. Enquires to Bob on 0428 813 483

Family Mass—Sunday, 21st June

We meet before Mass at 8:00am to practise, all are welcome! Please join us for 9:00am Mass at St. William's followed by hospitality afterwards. If able, bring a plate to share!

Mothers Prayers

We invite you to delight in the vocation of motherhood as we pray in surrender to the Lord. We have you, your children, and grandchildren covered in prayer.

Wednesday, 9:30am, Daley Centre.

Working Bee

Able-bodied volunteers are sought to assist in the clean-up and rearrangement of the Parish storeroom under the Daley Centre.

**Saturday, 20th June
8:00am-12:00pm or any part thereof.**

Please contact the Parish Office.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will be celebrated at the 9.00am Mass on 12th July, 2nd August, and 6th September. Volunteers are sought to present the sessions; please email Kate Craig katenicoleb@gmail.com

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 7:30-8:30pm
St. William's



SAMFORD

'Where Wonder Dwells'

An exhibition of Hope and Renewal
Every Saturday and Sunday through June

ARTIST TALKS ON

Sunday 14th, 21st and 28th June: 2.30pm - 3pm
Sacred Heart Church, 2 Camp Mountain Road, Samford



Samford Rosary Circle

When: Wednesday at 10:00am
Where: Sacred Heart Church

Come and pray with us.

COMBINED COMMUNITIES

Notice of Community Consultation for Major Building Works Program

Parishioners would be aware of the recent Expression of Interest to form a Steering Committee for a proposed major building works program, which has raised a great deal of interest and questions from both church communities.

Fr. Nigel therefore wishes to have a parish consultation meeting to further inform and respond to questions around the project. The meeting will take place on –

**Monday, 22nd June 2026, at 6:00 pm
St. William's Church, Grovely.**

Fr. Nigel will present the background to this major building program and outline the strategic direction for the future of the parish, in line with the *Community Building* pillar of the Parish Mission Statement.

We strongly suggest you come along to the meeting to fully understand the building concepts and future strategy for our parish communities.

The buildings included in the proposed project are the presbytery, parish administration offices, library, and Daley Centre, with the development of an undercover precinct adjoining Lourigan Place with pathways and gardens.

We welcome your attendance at the meeting where there will be a presentation of plans and draft drawings of the works program.



Faithful Departed

Recently Departed: Bob Finch, Nestor Ramos, Valerie Little, and John Whitehart



We pray for the Sick

We pray for: Jane Fraser, Kathy Malcolm, Anne McKenna, Richard Lee, Maureen Campbell, William Lane, Deb Lewis, and Fr. Denis Scanlan

Please note All requests to have a Mass offered for someone, or newsletter requests for the name of recently deceased family members, prayers for the sick and anniversaries, need to be given to the Parish Office in writing. Forms and Mass request envelopes are available from the sacristy at all three churches, or from the Parish Office. Completed forms/envelopes can be given to the priest or handed in at the office.

CELEBRATING **800 YEARS** OF **ST FRANCIS** 1226 - 2026

OF THE **PLENARY INDULGENCE**

During this special Jubilee Year, you are invited to receive the grace of the Plenary Indulgence under the usual conditions. (See notice in Church for details.)

Migrant Jubilee Cross Visiting Kedron

We are blessed to welcome the *Migrant Jubilee Cross*, currently travelling around Australia as a powerful symbol of faith, hope, and solidarity with migrant communities.

Little Flower Church
80 Turner Road, Kedron

17th - 20th June

All are invited to come and spend time in prayer with the Cross during its visit.

Pilgrim Walk - Saturday 20th June
At 2:30pm, a group of pilgrims will begin walking from Holy Cross, Woolloowin to Little Flower Church, Kedron.
Everyone is warmly welcome to join them along the way.

Closing Mass
The visit will conclude with Mass at 5:00pm at Little Flower Church.

Come and be part of this meaningful celebration of unity and faith, and join us in welcoming the richness of our migrant communities.

The Secret Place

A silent retreat for women

Hosted by Jo Hayes, alongside the contemplative Sisters of the Morning Star

Sunday, 21st June, 3:30-6:30pm
7 Crown Street, Mitchelton.

\$25pp - strictly limited availability - bookings essential - Details and registration at johayes.com.au/retreats.

A Vocation View

Jesus knew that when we are committed to whatever we are doing no obstacle can prevent us from reaching our goal. So, Jesus could say: "If you will not take up your cross and come after me you are not worthy of me."



FAITH MATTERS - GS



www.faith-matters-gsm.com.au

Now that Pentecost and the feasts of The Most Holy Trinity and Corpus Christi have occurred we come back to the Sundays in Ordinary Time in the Church's 2026 Liturgical Year. This Sunday is the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Sundays from now until the Feast of Christ the King on Sunday, 22nd November will go from today until the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time on 15th November.

Over this time the Scripture readings will be from the evangelist, Matthew, who is the designated one for this year. There is a roster covering Matthew, Mark, and Luke and for this year it is Matthew's turn. You might well ask why John is not on the roster. The Gospel of John was written some time later and it is not in the narrative style as are the other three. You might say it is a more reflective style.

At times though, the rostered evangelist will not follow this pattern. This occurred on Christmas Day when the Gospel was from Luke. and on 18th January (Baptism of the Lord) when it was from John. During the season of Lent the Gospel of the day for the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays in Lent were from John. During the Easter season (Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday), most of the readings were from John.

All of the Gospel readings from now to the end of the Liturgical year will be from Matthew. During Ordinary Time the Gospel readings are teaching us various lessons that Jesus taught during His time on earth. They reveal to us the way He wishes us to follow Him during the time He gives us on this earth. Each of us has been given a special mission which can only be done by each one of us, with His help, on every step of the way.

Using knowledge of the Church's Liturgical year and following it each Sunday is an excellent way of walking with Jesus in our lives.

Faith Vibes with Fr. Nigel

4:30-5:30pm, Mondays, Daley Centre

This Week: St. Carlo Acutis

Are you a youth or young adult curious about the Christian faith, or thinking about becoming Catholic? Come along.

Fr. Nigel Sequeira

Fifteen Years of Priesthood



It's a joyful moment for our parish as Fr. Nigel marks fifteen years since his ordination to the priesthood, and we'd love for you to join us in giving thanks and celebrating with him.

Over these years, Fr. Nigel has been a great blessing to our community—through his engaging homilies, his care for families and the sick, and his joyful presence among our youth and school communities. His commitment to outreach and his willingness to journey alongside people in both the happy and the difficult moments of life have touched many hearts.

We are truly grateful for his faithful and generous ministry among us.

Mass: 9:30am, Monday, 29th June

St. William's Church

Please bring a plate to share
RSVP: Parish Office, ph.3355 3690



<https://triplegrovelly.au>

Use the link above to tune in for Meditation, Scripture, Mass over the airways, music that matters, and more!
Follow us on FB and Insta!

Sacramental News

Faith Formation for First Holy Communion continues with the Rite of Enrolment ceremonies this weekend.

Next weekend we have the *Our Father* Masses where the children learn the significance of the Lord's Prayer. Children will give their Prayer Partner letters to members of the parish. Please hold each other in prayer.

Prayer Partners

Thank you for keeping our children journeying to their First Holy Communion in your prayers and on your rosaries. If you wish to participate as a Prayer Partner for an individual child, next weekend (21st/22nd June) after Mass parishioners willing to be Prayer Partners will be asked to stand and smile to receive a Prayer Partner letter. The children will choose a person to pray for them on their road to the Eucharist. If you would like to give your Prayer Partner child a letter, please give it to the parish office prior to 1st August. Thank you for committing to pray for these wonderful children and their families.

GS Parish 15th June-19th June

Monday	9:30am	Faith Circle	Parish Library
	4:30pm	Faith Vibes	Daley Centre
	7:00pm	SVDP	Daley Centre
Tuesday	9:30am	Playgroup	Daley Centre
	7:00pm	Christian Meditation	St. William's Church
Wednesday	9:30am	Mothers Prayers	Daley Centre
	10:00am	Samford Rosary Circle	Sacred Heart
	11:00am	Evergreens Exercise	Daley Centre
Thursday	10:00am	Evergreens Trivia	Arana Leagues Club

From Sacred Heart, Sandgate

We are delighted to share a joyful moment in the life of our community.

On **Sunday, 14th June**, at **12:00pm**, six Filipino couples from our deanery will receive the **Sacrament of Matrimony** in a shared celebration known as **Kasalang Bayan**, to be held at **Sacred Heart Church in Sandgate**.

Kasalang Bayan is a long-cherished tradition in the Philippines. It offers couples — especially those who have been civilly married or together for many years — a beautiful and accessible way to have their marriage sanctified in the Church.

This celebration is the **first of its kind in the Archdiocese of Brisbane**, made possible through the generosity of **Catholic Filipino Australians—Brisbane**, Rev. Fr. Rodel Enriquez, MI, and many Filipino organisations and volunteers, who have offered their time, talent, and resources.

We invite you to **pray for the Kasalang Bayan couples** as they prepare to stand before God and convalidate their marriage in the Sacrament of Matrimony. May their homes continue to be strengthened by faith, unity, and God's enduring grace.

Further info: Jima 0432 374 239.

Called and Sent with Love

The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A reminds us of God's love and His call to be His people. The readings show us a journey. God chooses Israel as His treasured possession. Paul tells us that Christ gave His life for us while we were still sinners. Jesus sends His disciples to share His compassion with the world.

This Sunday teaches that God acts first. He saves, forgives, and heals. Our part is to respond with trust and love. The covenant at Sinai, the sacrifice of Christ, and the mission of the disciples all show how God draws His people close.

The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A invites us to see our role in God's plan. We are chosen, loved, and sent out to serve. God calls us to share freely the gifts we have received. This is the work of His people in every time and place.

LAUDATO SI'

[The Pastoral Kit](#) (for how action can be inspired by Magnificat Humanitas (MH) offers that people might take a physical stone with its rough edges, coloration, texture, and uniqueness and then reflect on our bodies, our stories and on any "discarded stone" – any situation of isolation, armament, disarmament, justice. Pope Leo talks about "building a civilization of love" valuing diversity and fragility. The Kit states, "Technology becomes a bridge only if there is an authentic human relationship at its foundation". In planning our Living Laudato Si' (LS) Action Plan, Sacred Heart Samford briefed the designers of an Overall Landscape Plan on the needs for an integral approach of Why (respecting God's Creation as spelled out in Laudato Si' and now human creations in MH), What (address just accessibility, understand stormwater on the site, preserve and augment native biodiversity), and How (with professional consultant advice). What (provide compliant door thresholds and equal access to a compliant toilet, correct stormwater management, prefer amenity plants from the local Regional Ecosystems), When (as market and management and volunteer resources allow). *God Beyond All Names* by Bernadette Farrell. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Htrmq0g_Nk

RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN


VOICE, TREATY AND TRUTH
in the post-referendum landscape

HONOURING OUR ELDERS

SPEAKER EVENT



Featuring Guest Speaker **Scientia Professor Megan Davis AC**

THURSDAY 18 JUNE 2026



Scan QR or visit ti.nyurl.com/HoE-SE-1 by **12 June** to Register

- **6pm to 8:30pm, \$20pp**
- **Hanly Room, Cathedral Precinct**
- A key architect of the Uluru Statement from the Heart, **Scientia Professor Megan Davis AC** will reflect on the Voice referendum, Australia's
- democracy and how faith-based communities can
- continue supporting the Uluru Statement with
- courage, hope and commitment.



YOU ARE INVITED TO

Lavalla House Mass

MONDAY 22 JUNE

Mass begins at 9.00am

at Our Lady of Dolours Church
PARENTS, FAMILY & PARISHIONERS
ARE MOST WELCOME TO JOIN US

Pope's Prayer Intention for June For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.