

Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
27th January 2019



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MISSION

All are welcome!

Dear Friends, Visitors and New Parishioners!

On behalf of all the Parish Staff, we wish you one and all, a very happy Australia Day long-weekend! We look forward to joining you for the sausage sizzle today after the 8am Mass at St. William's.

As your new Associate Pastor, I sincerely say "thank you" to you all for your warm welcoming to this wonderful Parish! I am really delighted to be here with you. Over the past week, I have visited some people at their homes already, and shared coffee with folk at Mitchelton and Samford. It is wonderful to see the connections you already have as a faith-filled community.

As we are at the beginnings of a new year, I take this opportunity to extend a very warm welcome to our visitors and new parishioners as well. As a warm and welcoming Catholic Community, we always strive to celebrate the sacraments with joy-filled liturgical celebrations throughout the year which aim to lead our assemblies to full, conscious and active participation called for by the Catholic Church. With Sunday Mass, Weekday Mass, Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings, Reconciliation times and Masses with Anointing of the Sick and celebrating our Sacraments of Initiation with children and adults alike, -these occasions provide each one of us with the liturgical opportunities we seek to be able to gather in friendship, and deepen our Christian spirituality. As a united faith community, we seek to sustain our membership and volunteer base; ensuring that what we do is both understood and championed by the communities we serve. This is our constant challenge. And if you would like to assist as a volunteer in any way, please contact our Office for further information.

This weekend, we celebrate the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, where we celebrate the Holy Spirit's work and presence in the life of Jesus in his early ministry. His own abilities of preaching have become well known amongst the peoples—a ministry which he proclaimed that was given him by God, a ministry of revealing God's love to the poor. The term "poor" reaches beyond the physical realm of poverty. It's deeper meaning refers to all those who are in need, and who cry out to God in their longing. As Jesus' disciples, we too may be encouraged by his assurance that our cries are being heard. Only together with him, each according to our own "gifts" of nature and grace, can we hope to be the heart of Jesus to the world. It matters that each of us play our part in his mission as generously as we are able; and it matters that we do it together as the Body of Christ in this beautiful world we share.

Fr. Damien
Associate Pastor



LITURGY TIMES

27th January—3rd February

Grovely St William's

Monday 9:15am Mass
 Tuesday 10:30am *Funeral Service William Keane*
 Wednesday Adoration CANCELLED
 7:00pm Mass
 Thursday 9:00am Mass
 Friday 7:00am Mass
 Saturday: 7:00am Mass

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm Reconciliation
 6:00pm Vigil Mass
 Sunday: 6:30am, 8:00am,
 9:30am, 5:30pm.

Oxford Park St. Joseph's

Sunday 9:30am Mass

Mitchelton Our Lady of Dolours

Monday: 8:30am Mass
 Tuesday: 8:30am Mass
 Friday 8:30am Mass
 Saturday 3:45pm Reconciliation

Next Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30pm Mass
 Sunday: 8:00am Mass

Samford Sacred Heart

Thursday 6:00pm Mass

Next Weekend Mass

Sunday: 8:00am Mass



Mass is broadcast over Radio Triple YYY 87.6 FM on:

Saturday's 5.00pm & Sunday's 10.00am

Readings for this Week
 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C)

Neh 8:2-6,8-10;
 1 Cor 12:12-30;
 Lk 1:1-4,4:14-21

Next Week's Readings
 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C)

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19
 1 Cor 12:31-13:13
 Lk 4:21-30

GROVELY

Family Rosary:

Rosary will be prayed in the home of Emma & Amel Girjes at 10 Lapilli St, Keperra at 7pm on Tuesday.

Counters this week:

Gavin Taylor, Denise Quinlan, Geraldine & Dennis McLaughlin.

Grovely Church Shop:

There are a few Columban calendars left, priced at \$9, and just one 2019 Daily Mass Book, for \$22.95.

MITCHELTON

Family Rosary:

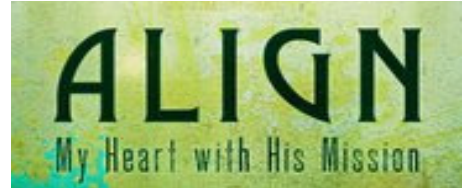
This week: Virginia & Les Cowper
 Next week: Noel Guillermo

Counters this week:

Group B – Phillip Zabarauskas

Counters next week:

Group C – Michael Saide



COMBINED COMMUNITIES NEWS

Bible Quiz

Who did Jesus say was the "father of lies"?

Answer next Week

Last Week's answer: What kind of leaves did Adam and Eve sew together to make clothes for themselves? *Fig (Gen 3:7)*



The Parish Calendar is available from the Parish Office

Please call 3355 2667 to arrange delivery/collection of your group's copies, advising numbers required.

Little Kings Movement

"The Little King's Movement" once a year conducts a Parish Appeal, a Door Knock supported by some Catholic Schools. This appeal will be next weekend **2/3 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.

If at this time you are unable to help financially you may be able to give of your time or talent's, if so please contact the Movement.

Upcoming Events

- 28 January - Public Holiday for Australia Day
- 28 January - Office Closed for Public Holiday
- 30 January - School returns
- 3 February - *Teachers Commissioning Mass & Family Mass with Children's Choir 9:30am Mass*



A little boy was waiting for his mother to come out of the grocery store.

As he waited, he was approached by a man who asked, "Son, can you tell me where the Post Office is?"

The little boy replied, "Sure! Just go straight down this street a couple of blocks and turn to your right."

The man thanked the boy kindly and said, "I'm the new vicar in town. I'd like for you to come to church on Sunday. I'll show you how to get to Heaven."

The little boy replied with a chuckle. "Awww, come on... You don't even know the way to the Post Office."



Faithful Departed

Recently:

Margaret Murphy, Peg Bourke, Vicente Odarve, Lois Mazzer, John Campbell, Mary Boydell, Michael Curran.

Funeral:

The funeral service for William "Bill" Keane will be held at St William's Church on Tuesday 29th of January at 10:30am. Our sympathy and prayers are with family and friends.



We pray for the Sick

We pray for:

Vincent Arthur, Colyn Bieron, Maureen Campbell, Fr David Catterall, Kathleen Edden, Chris Ellis, Katie Gilmour, Peter Kennedy, Jim O'Leary, Teresita Lumampao, Lynne Marr, Linda Moffatt, Ron Needham, Jen Nilon, Joyce Powell, Cindy Roberts, Carina Venning, Rudi Wagenwood, John Weier.

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 3 churches, or from the Parish Office. Completed forms/envelopes can be given to the priest or handed in at the office. **Please note that names on the sick list will be removed after 4 weeks.**

AUSTRALIA DAY PRAYER

Let us pray.

*God of Australia,
you have loved this ancient land
long before human eye explored it.
On this Australia Day we offer our
praise.*

*We bring you our gratitude
for the diversity and wealth of this
land and its people;
for its weathered old mountains,
fertile valleys, and vast plains;
for its riches of mine and
agriculture, forest and grazing land;
for the first Australians, who know
and love this continent with an
intimate, profound sensitivity;
for the courage, vision and sacrifice
of early settlers;
for the diverse races who now call
Australia home.
For these and all your gifts
we offer you, O Lord, our joyful
thankful hearts. Amen*



Adult Faith Education

In a homily recently, one of our priests used the phrase "priest, prophet and king". This was around the feast of the Baptism of Jesus. The point being made was that not only was Jesus made priest, prophet and king by his baptism but so too do we have a share in these qualities by our own baptism.

If there is an element of priesthood that comes to us in our baptism we can infer that both laity and clergy have a combined role to play in the furtherance of God's kingdom on this earth. Pope Francis has made some strong statements in support of this concept.

Australia is the first country to have the type of Plenary Council which is now happening.

Clergy and laity are being urged to pray, reflect, discuss and then respond to the Council, and then to Rome, via our Bishops, as to what changes we both think need to happen to ensure Jesus' church returns to what he wanted it to be. Pope Francis is pointing out the way to us.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." (Nehemiah 8:10)

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need without expecting anything in return.

There are many ways to make a response to the Plenary Council.

On the computer Go [to www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au) and register.



- When you get to the response document you will find quite a few questions – you will need to say who you are and answer some other Qs that identify you, but a number of other Qs do not need to be answered if you do not wish to do so.
- There are 3 spaces to say what you want to say. **A)** Your answer to the first Q. **B)** Your answer to the second Q **C)** A story you may wish to tell of an experience you have had of Church which could put some context to what you have said in the previous 2 questions. Further down the document there are 3 more spaces if you need more space.
- **NOTE** – you may want to talk about a number of matters – you do not need to give a story on each one.
- **You could write on 4 or 5 matters in the one response** – this is done by writing a document which would be of some length and then attach it to the response near the end of the process.

Not using a computer

- Use cards at the back of each church to write something much shorter. Put your card in the box provided and we will mail it. Put your postcode on it – The Council wishes to give some feedback to parishes later on.
- Write directly to the Plenary Council at Plenary Council, PO 747, North Sydney, 2059.

The Catholic Leader: Keeping faith with you

- Aussie flags lead the way for Australian pilgrims into Panama for World Youth Day 2019
- Parents start charity following the death of their son from drugs at a music festival
- The next generation of Edmund Rice leaders meet at St Joseph's Nudgee College for a three-day workshop
- Federal Government funding floods in to aged care sector on the eve of the Royal Commission last Friday
- Teenage children lead their mum and dad to find a new road into their faith, marriage and family life

COMBINED COMMUNITIES NEWS

GROVELY 28th January - 3rd February

Monday	7:45pm	Church	Grovely Choir
Tuesday	7:00pm	Church	St W Christian Meditation
Thursday	9:00am	Library	Grief Support Team
	1:30pm	Library	ST W Liturgy Team Meeting

SAMFORD 28th January - 3rd February

Monday	6:00pm	Church	Samford Choir
Friday	9:00am	Church	John Main Meditation Prayer Group

MITCHELTON 28th January - 3rd February

Tuesday	7:00pm	Church	Treble M Choir
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Plenary Council -

Go to www.stwilliams-afe.com.au for information to assist with responding to the Council. Click on "Plenary Council" (top left on home page) and then on "articles".

Sacramental 2019 news:-

For Year 3 Parents:- we will start the Sacramental program in May 2019 with a Parent Information Evening and the Sacrament of Confirmation. **You do not need to do anything now.** You will get a letter in April to invite you to attend the Parent Information Evening.

For our Year 5 Parents: This year you will get an invitation to bring your child to celebrate First rite of Reconciliation. We will celebrate this Sacrament in October 2019. Watch out for that.

For our Year 4 Parents and families:-

Welcome to 2019 and to the last part of the Sacramental Program for this year. Celebrating First Communion. It still is one of the most significant and most beautiful of all Sacramental celebrations. Celebrating the Body and Blood of Jesus which He offered up to Heaven for us in form of Bread and Wine!!! Jesus' ultimate sacrifice becomes so real and so personal for all of us!! And for the children, receiving Holy Communion under both species for the very first time is ever so special! It is for all!!! And for the families who have taken them on this journey it is such a precious prize at the end of this journey to witness their child receive Holy Communion - the body and blood of Jesus. It is witnessing their child be united with Jesus in a way they never have before! It is a holy and a joyful occasion. So let's keep going....

I hope you all got your placement letters and workshop dates in one piece. Just reminding you our dates for the upcoming masses you will need to attend.

Saturday/ Sunday February 23/24 – Blessing Mass for all the 1st Communion Families. 6pm, St. William's Grovely, 8 am – St. William's, Grovely and Sacred Heart, Samford, 9:30 am St. William's, Grovely

Saturday/ Sunday March 9/10 – Mass of the Liturgy of the Word- 6pm, St. William's Grovely, 8 am – St. William's, Grovely and Sacred Heart, Samford, 9:30 am St. William's, Grovely

Saturday/ Sunday March 16/17 – Mass of the Liturgy of the Eucharist- 6pm, St. William's Grovely, 8 am – St. William's, Grovely and Sacred Heart, Samford, 9:30 am St. William's, Grovely

Saturday/ Sunday March 24/25 – Prayer Partner Weekend Masses - 6pm, St. William's Grovely, 8 am – St. William's, Grovely and Sacred Heart, Samford, 9:30 am St. William's, Grovely

Workshops:

Tues 23 rd April, 2019	1 st Communion Workshop Gr. B & C	3:30pm	St Williams Grovely
Wed. 24 th April, 2019	1 st Communion Workshop Gr. D & E	3:30pm	St Williams Grovely
Fri .26 th April, 2019	1 st Communion Workshop Gr. F	3:30pm	Sacred Heart, Samford
Mon 29 th April, 2019	1 st Communion Workshop Gr H	3:30pm	St William's, Samford
Tues 30 th April, 2019	1 st Communion Workshop Gr G	3:30pm	Sacred Heart, Samford
Wed 1 st May, 2019	1 st Communion Workshop Gr J	3:30pm	St Williams Grovely

Plenary Council Prayer

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.
Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart o hear what you are saying.
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.
Amen.
Our Lady Help of Christians, pray
For us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.*

Position Vacant – Administration/Finance Officer

Applications are open for a position at the Sandgate Brighton Parish. A person with excellent administration and secretarial skills is required for a part time position of Administration/Finance Officer for 3 days per week (24 hours).

Position closes 15th Feb 2019.

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers 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.