



PARISH NEWSLETTER

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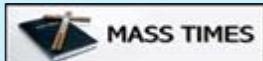
Sandgate Brighton Catholic Parish

Archdiocesan Safeguarding Office: 3324 3752

Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday (8:30am – 3:30pm) **CLOSED WEDNESDAYS**

Parish Secretary: Liz Kelly

Finance Officer: Angela Smith



WEEKDAY MASSES

All Masses (provide details upon entry – no booking required.)

Brighton

Monday: 9:15am

Saturday: 9:00am

Sandgate

Tuesday: 7am

Thursday: 5.30pm

followed by Adoration until 7pm

Friday: 7am

WEEKEND MASSES

Sign in at the door.

Brighton

Saturday: 5pm

Sunday: 7am

Sandgate

Sunday: 9am and 5pm

Regis Aged Care: TBA

SCHOOL MASSES

St Kieran's School

Date: TBA

Principal: Ben Gray

Phone: 3269 5989

Sacred Heart School

Date: TBA

Principal: Jo Kimmins

Phone: 3269 3427



Saturdays at Sandgate 11.30am (1st Rite)

Bookings via Parish Office required.

Brighton: 4pm (2nd Rite)

2nd Saturday each month.

Next one: 11 September

Reconciliation is also available at other times by appointment.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B) 22 AUGUST 2021

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN 2021 Reflection by Archbishop Mark Coleridge

The whole of biblical religion begins with the call to listen. Each day Jewish people recite the words of the Book of Deuteronomy which Jesus echoes in the Gospel: "Listen Israel: the Lord God is our God, the Lord alone". To listen was to be blessed and to become a blessing for others. So too each day the Christian disciple is called to listen to the words of Jesus who communicates with us as much now as he did to the disciples when he walked the earth.

Listening is harder than it sounds – in part because there's usually so much noise within us and around us that we simply can't hear. But another reason why listening to Jesus is hard is that he often speaks words we don't expect or want to hear. He says some strange things which, if we were to listen and obey, would take us into some strange places. Yet the disciple who doesn't just hear but really listens is prepared to follow wherever the Lord leads, however strange it may be.

In today's Gospel, we hear of some who stopped following Jesus because his language became just too strange. He had been speaking of eating his flesh and drinking his blood, to which some replied, "This is intolerable language" – and you can understand why. What Jesus says about his body and blood is extraordinary language, strange by any reckoning. So they say, "Enough!" and wander off elsewhere, looking to follow another who speaks in ways less strange.

But not everyone wanders off; some stay – among them the Twelve. "Do you also want to go away?" Jesus asks them. Silence: but then Peter speaks up. "Lord, to whom can we go?" Note he doesn't say that the words of Jesus are perfectly reasonable and acceptable; he too is baffled by what he's heard. The language of Jesus is strange, yes, but not for Peter intolerable. He recognises that, however strange they may be, these are "the words of eternal life". The blessing comes but in ways we don't expect. The way home to Paradise is strange – so strange in fact that it will lead them, following Jesus, onto the dark mountain of Calvary. But the blessing will come and lead them into the light of Easter.

Faith is the name of the recognition to which Peter comes: "We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God". The Twelve have come to see the truth of who Jesus is; and only faith can reveal that truth. Once faith opens the eyes to that truth the disciples come to knowledge; they know that the words of Jesus, however strange, are utterly true and

trustworthy. Therefore, they stay with him and follow him wherever he leads.

The Annual Catholic Campaign is all about listening to the words of Jesus, "the Holy One of God", trusting what we hear and following where he leads – becoming more and more like the Master as we go, until we become so like him that people see Jesus in us. It is to be blessed and to become a blessing in turn.

The Campaign focuses on four different ways of doing what Jesus does. First, the MacKillop Fund which provides Catholic education bursaries to children of families suffering hardship, especially in this time of pandemic. Second, Holy Spirit Seminary which provides formation for our future priests who will need strong preparation for the ministry of leadership that awaits them in changing times. Third, the Priests Foundation which supports the retired, elderly and ailing priests who have spent their lives in service of God's people and who remain a vital part of the ecology of the Archdiocese. And fourth, Centacare's Pastoral Ministries which reach out in compassion through services like domestic violence support, psychiatric counselling, family support, hospital chaplaincy and prison ministry – all of which are facing new pressures as a result of COVID-19.

Each of these works is a powerful sign of Christ who walks with us on the way, who knows our needs and enters into our suffering, the Lord who bears our burdens and heals our wounds. So I ask you today to support the Annual Catholic Campaign in this strange landscape through which we are passing where we're all feeling the pinch in one way or another. You may even want to consider making a regular monthly gift of an amount which means something to you. Every dollar you give will be carefully spent and will be spent for the purposes I've mentioned; and it will make a real difference to people who are doing it hard and need to know that the Lord Jesus is close to them.

This time of COVID-19 has made us focus on what really matters. We've had to work out what's really important in the midst of all the stuff that fills our life. The Annual Catholic Campaign is one way of focusing on what really matters, which in the end means focusing on Jesus and listening to the strange and wonderful words he speaks – not just hearing but listening. His are "the words of eternal life", the words of him who says, "Come you blessed of my Father: inherit the Kingdom prepared for you (Matt 25:34), for...as long as you did this to one of these, the least of my brothers and sisters, you did it to me" (Matt 25:40). We focus on the least in order to focus on Jesus and follow him – because "to whom else can we go?" He is the only one who can lead us home.



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| 28/29 AUGUST | MINISTERS OF THE WORD | EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 5pm Saturday Brighton | P Ryan C Hickey TBA | |
| 7am Sunday Brighton | R Heap M Heap J Chadwick | |
| 9am Sunday Sandgate | S Bria TBA TBA | L Kelly |
| 5pm Sunday Sandgate | S Butler J Monroe B Fallis | |
| COUNTERS (MONDAY) | 23/8 D Madden R Mahon | 30/8 TBA |
| CHURCH CLEANING | Week ending 28 August | |
| Brighton | TBA | |
| Sandgate | TBA | |

WEEKEND READERS: This weekend, our readers are:

5pm Sat J Rosenberg P Ryan J Moore
 7am Sun P Pehrson F Edwards B Gray
 9am Sun TBA M Bastian C McLaren
 9am Sun Eucharistic Minister: J Murdoch
 5pm Sun L Butler K Coffey J Monroe

WARDENS ROSTER NEXT WEEK 28/29 AUG:

5pm Brighton: K Munday / C Rosenberg-O'Brien
 7am Brighton: D Madden / TBA
 9am Sandgate: J Borger /TBA
 5pm Sandgate: V Rasquinha

CHILDRENS WORKSHEETS: We now have Children's Activity Sheets available at the church door. Each week, these sheets provide activities that focus on the weekend Gospel reading. Coloured pencils are available at the church door for the children to use.

PERPETUAL ADORATION: The Nundah Banyo Parish are about to re-instate Perpetual Adoration. If you would like to be involved in their weekly roster, please contact Roy or Fiona on 0412 802 122.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: We have over 50 families preparing to enrol in our next Sacramental Program. This program has been postponed to Term 4 with Enrolment Masses being celebrated on the weekend of 9/10 October. Please continue to pray for these families during this time.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN: Envelopes can be returned this weekend, 21 and 22 August. The Campaign supports Centacare, Holy Spirit Seminary, Mary Mackillop Catholic Education Access Fund and the Priests Foundation.



Be blessed and bless others with your gift

Our faith calls us to help one another through prayer and action. Your gift today will be a blessing to struggling local families; to seminarians and retired priests; and children in our community in dire need of the love and care of a Catholic community.

2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN
 Use the QR code to access the Campaign

catholiccampaign.com.au

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: Parishioners, John-Jacques and Genevieve Audibert, will be hosting the travelling statue of Our Lady of Fatima from Monday 23 Aug to

Friday 27 August. They have extended an invitation to all parishioners to join them in praying the Rosary at 3pm every afternoon during this time at their home at 34 Perkins Street, Sandgate. No booking required. All welcome!

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: A COVID-SAFE live-out weekend – relationship enrichment for married couples, priests and religious will be held from **Friday evening of 15 October to the afternoon of 17 October 2021 (including Mass)** at Trinity College, Beenleigh (south of Brisbane) – going home on the Friday and Saturday evenings. For bookings/details contact Maria and David Murphy, (07) 3342 1456, dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au
 Information website: www.wvme.org.au

SEASON OF CREATION: From September 1 to October 4, Christians around the world celebrate Season of Creation. The theme for 2021 is “A home for all? Renewing the oikos of God”, oikos is the Greek word for home or household. All are welcome to join Queensland Churches Environment Network in celebrating the start of Season of Creation. St Stephen's Cathedral, Wednesday 1 September – 7pm. Speaker: Archbishop Mark Coleridge. Also livestreamed at <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast/>

VOCATION VIEW: Jesus teach us about life everlasting. “Your words are spirit and life...” It is this that gives us hope when we despair, a way of living when we stray from God's way. “The words I have spoken are spirit and they are life”. It is God's words that we need to hear to lift our spirit and give life. Pray for vocations.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Mary-ann LEWIS, Carmel ORDERS, Shirley RYAN, Dell PURTILL, Susan HENDERSON, Kirryn ROKER, Esther HARTE, Raymond LAOULECH, Maria LEPAGE, Lorraine ANDERSEN, Kathleen OPITZ, Trent QUINLAN, Nancy BYRNE, Dave CHINNERY, Lloyd NOLAN, Helen HOGAN, Leslie RODRIGUES.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ETERNAL REPOSE OF THE SOULS: For Trish MORRISON, Michael QUINLAN, Sr Mary CABRINI RSM, Sr Marie Therese ROSENBERG RSM, Fr Dan CARROLL, Phyllis SHEPPARD, Sr Elizabeth PRENDERGAST, Luke FARRELLY, Jan DEMNAR, Sr Eliza POINTING RSM, Patricia MITCHELL, Lyndsay ROBERTSON, Maria KLIMECKY, Maria McLAUGHLIN, Jolana VASIL, Sr Helen MARY PERRETT, Frans THIORIS, Rachel HAMMOND, Sr Franleen BLAYLOCK RSM, Sr Margaret KANOWSKI RSM. who died recently and for Anastacia RABBITT, Darryl GLEESON, Aunty ROSA and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.