



PARISH NEWSLETTER

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4th Sunday of Easter – 12th May, 2019 Year C

FOLLOWING CHRIST, THE GOOD SHEPHERD

(Acts 13:14,43-53; Apoc 7: 14-17; Jn 10:27-30)

Today, through the efforts of the apostles, Paul and Barnabas who faced rejection in preaching to the Jews but who were received with great rejoicing at preaching to the Gentiles, our hope is inspired. In the vision of John about those who will come through times of persecution to share in Christ's glory, we are encouraged. And Jesus, who is the good shepherd, will never allow that we be snatched away eternally from his care. The readings of today thus offer us special assurance, consolation and hope.

In many ways, our words reveal reality and lead us into the world of others. Yet human language becomes very inadequate and poor when it comes to expressing God, knowing God and speaking correctly on who God really is. The use of the biblical imagery of the 'good shepherd' in Jesus' repeated reference to himself becomes significant in today's Gospel.

Jesus speaks of himself and of his mission as that of being **the good shepherd** of the father's flock. He unites in his person, the great prophetic traditions of Israel which raised the promises that God will feed his flock like a shepherd; gather in his hands and hold them closely to his heart; and leading them home. The powerful sense of 'belonging' to his flock and his flock clinging to him as their shepherd, plays out remarkably in what we read about the apostles today.

Understanding Jesus as 'good shepherd' today does bring out some great elements which all need to be seen in us. First, **believing** in Jesus and deepening the depth of our faith in his person is what admits us into the flock of Christ. Second, **listening** to the voice of Jesus by heeding his teachings keeps us truly inside rather than outside of his flock. For Jesus himself states: 'My sheep listen to my voice (Jn 10:27)'. Third, **following** Jesus more by doing his word, completes the circle of our true knowledge of Jesus as the good shepherd.

We can hardly have Jesus as our 'good shepherd' if we despise the community of faith in Jesus or

prefer to exist as 'lone sheep' by ourselves and unto ourselves. This is because, Jesus himself teaches us that to understand our lives in the world is to live this life as a **journey with others**. Thus, Paul moves with Barnabas and together, they suggest the faith to others. Likewise, the apostle – John, in his faith vision stands not alone but together with a huge and diverse 'number impossible to count'.

The kind of bond which the image of shepherd and sheep corelates, Christ says, is the bond of kinship. In this kinship, the sheep's security is rest-assured in the powerful hands of its shepherd who would never let anyone take the sheep from him. Moreover, the strength of the shepherd's hand speaks to the mutual, indwelling unity between Christ and the Father who, by sending his Son into the world, gave believing humanity to Jesus as sheep to their shepherd. Who can steal from God?

As true shepherd, Jesus is aware of the wounds and the scars that do leave their ugly marks on his flock. The Lord who is 'one with the father' is not unaware that the flock would encounter the tint and tinge of bad examples which come to distort and mingle with the life of grace and holiness to which the Church is called. Yet, Christ's love for us remains, helping us to reform.

As we celebrate and rejoice in Jesus – Risen Lord and Good Shepherd, we must resist the temptation to give-up our faith in Christ as Christians.

Fr Modestus



MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES

Brighton

Monday: 9.15am

Sandgate

Tuesday: 7.00am

Thursday: 5.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration begins 12 noon Thursday and continues after Mass until 11pm.

Friday: 7.00am

Regis Aged Care:

21 May 10.30am (Lucinda)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday:

Eventide Chapel: 9.30am
Brighton Church: 5pm

Sunday:

Brighton: 7am

Sandgate: 9am & 5pm

Name Tag Sunday:

4th weekend of the month

Parish Council Meeting:

3rd Thursday of the month

SCHOOL MASSES

St Kieran's School:

Principal: Ben Gray

Thurs 23 May 9am

Phone: 3269 5989

Sacred Heart School:

Principal: Julian Cotter

Sun 9 June 9am

Phone: 3269 3427



Saturdays

Sandgate: 11.30am – 12pm

Brighton: 4pm (2nd Rite)

1st Saturday of the month

Reconciliation is also available by appointment.



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WELCOME! If you are new to the Parish or are visiting, we are glad you have come to share Eucharist with us today. New Parishioner brochures, which can be put in the collection plate, are at the rear of the Church.

MOTHERS DAY: May the Lord continue to hold all women close as they nurture, guide and unconditionally love all those in their care. *Happy Mothers Day!*

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING: This training is being offered to children who have received the Sacrament of 1st Holy Eucharist. Training will be on Monday 13 May at Sacred Heart Church at 3.30pm. If you are interested in attending this training, please book via the Parish Office.

ROSARY BEFORE MASS: During the month of May, Rosary will be offered before each weekend Mass. All parishioners are asked to be respectfully aware of this devotion when entering the Church, particularly during this time. All are welcome to participate in this powerful prayer for our families, our community, our country and peace throughout the world.

DONATIONS FOR SCHOOL FETE: St Kieran's School Fete is on Sunday 21 July. Donations of Trash & Treasure and/or plants are being sought. Items can be left under the marque each weekend in the school carpark between 8am – 4pm. Large items can be collected by leaving a message with Tom Gordon on 3269 0383. All donations gratefully received.

VOCATION VIEW: On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, pray for yourself. Pray to know if God is calling YOU to be a Priest, Sister or Brother. Pray!

CHILDRENS' ROSARY: Sacred Heart School (every Tuesday morning in Sacred Heart Church) and St Kieran's School (every Wednesday morning under the Peace Tree) beginning at 8am during May. All families welcome!

MT ALVERNIA COLLEGE: Open Day - Sunday 19 May 10am – 1pm. 82 Cremorne Road, Kedron. Please register online – <https://www.mta.qld.edu.au>

PALMS AUSTRALIA: Discover Global Mission, Sunday 19 May at 3.30pm, Brisbane Square Library, 266 George Street, Brisbane. Do you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills? You can give opportunity by sharing them with our global family. Overseas Catholic communities are inviting you to immerse yourself for 1 to 2 years. For more information, please call Palms Australia (02) 9560 5333 or www.palms.org.au

HEART WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Saturday 25th May, Mt Gravatt Bowls Club. A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Information on noticeboards. Register: heart.thecatholicguy.com
Email: heart@thecatholicguy.com Ph: 1300 734 880

ALL HALLOWS' SCHOOL: Open Day – Sunday 26 May beginning at 11am. Visit: www.ahs.qld.edu.au

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD: Former parishioner and staff member, **Brendan Gormley** will be ordained to the priesthood on Friday 31 May in St

Stephen's Cathedral at 7pm. Brendan has invited parishioners to share in this wonderful celebration.

FEDERAL ELECTION 2019 – CATHOLIC BISHOP'S STATEMENT: The bishops call for respect in public debate, share Catholic social teaching and detail some key issues to reflect on before you vote. "Politics in service of peace: a statement by the Catholic bishops of Australia for the 2019 federal election" can be found at www.catholic.org.au

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: A weekend away for married couples in peaceful, picturesque surroundings – away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule to invest in your most precious asset – your Marriage! Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston August 2 – 4. For bookings: Maria & David Murphy (07) 3342 1456. More information on website www.wvme.org.au

My dear parishioners,

I have recently been offered a post-graduate admission at the Santa Clara Jesuit University in Berkeley, California. In view of this, it is with a heavy heart, tinged with excited expectation of a new life chapter, that I have tendered my resignation with the Archbishop of Brisbane and will be leaving the parish in September.

This decision will finalise my Australian mission where, for almost 10 years, I have enjoyed the warm hospitality and friendship of many from within the parish and beyond!

I will continue to keep you all in my prayers as the process for a new Parish Priest begins.

Fr Modestus

WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

CENACLE: gathers **Tuesdays** following the 7am Mass at Sandgate.

BIBLE STUDY: every Wednesday in Sandgate Parish Hall from 7pm. Topic: Completing Paul's last missionary journey and commencing the study of Isaiah. Contact Vanessa: 0403 492 879. All Welcome!

LEGION OF MARY: Every **Thursday** in the Parish Office from 9am-10.30am. New members welcome!

BRIGHTON CHOIR PRACTICE: Every **Thursday** 3.30pm in Brighton Church. New members enthusiastically welcomed!

ADORATION: 12noon – 11pm **Thursdays** at Sacred Heart Church. Holy Hour begins at 10pm.

- Plenary Council 2020's first phase saw more than 220,000 participants across Australia
- Centacare's Men's Behaviour Change Program builds coping skills to end domestic violence
- Dutton Park parish launches Rising Youth Ministries to attract young people from around the community
- Radio personality Donna Lynch sat down with Rebecca Tweedy ahead of Mother's Day to speak about family, life and faith
- Bernice Steele, who discovered the fragility of life on her first Mother's Day 40 years ago, tells her story
- Feast of the Three Saints celebrates faith, family and culture in a colourful Brisbane festival
- Pope visits Bulgaria for inter-religious meeting in Sofia to offer witness to peace through prayer
- Creating child-safe institutions is the goal of a ground-breaking full audit of Brisbane Archdiocese's practices

PARISH ROSTER

We are always appreciative of the many ways parishioners contribute to the life of the Parish by way of their selfless volunteering.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD	11-12 May	18-19 May
5pm Saturday Brighton	H Rodrigues K Lynch TBA	C Rosenberg O'Brien C Hickey H Boon
7am Sunday Brighton	D Madden B Mahon J Rosenberg	R Heap M Heap L Isaak
9am Sunday Sandgate	M Lynch C McLaren K Coffey	L Butler R Corias C Murdoch
5pm Sunday Sandgate	M Judd TBA	B Fallis TBA
EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS	11-12 May	18-19 May
5pm Saturday Brighton	D Price L Isaak	C Rosenberg-O'Brien K Lynch
7am Sunday Brighton	D Kelly C Rosenberg-O'Brien TBA	B Gaffney F Edwards P Madden
9am Sunday Sandgate	L North V O'Brien TBA	J Murdoch L Kelly TBA
5pm Sunday Sandgate	B Fallis TBA	P Janbroers TBA
ALTAR SERVERS	11-12 May	18-19 May
5pm Saturday Brighton	TBA	C Armitage
7am Sunday Brighton	TBA	TBA
9am Sunday Sandgate	S Bastian K Andes-Olsson	I Treanor S Treanor
5pm Sunday Sandgate	M Tate	TBA
CHURCH CLEANING	11-12 May	18-19 May
Brighton	D Abberton	M Bernard
Sandgate	R Bolton C Bolton	M Neilson
HOSPITALITY	11-12 May	18-19 May
7am Sunday Brighton	M Thompson D Price	M Thompson D Price
9am Sunday Sandgate	B Gunn D Hauff-Green	Sacred Heart families
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	11-12 May	18-19 May
9am Sunday Sandgate	Bernard family	A Hennessy M Carter
COUNTERS	11-12 May	18-19 May
Parish Office	C Rosenberg-O'Brien P Ryan	Arnold family
BAPTISM PREPARATION	No Baptism Preparation on Sunday 2nd June	
DINNER IN THE PARK		

READINGS: (YEAR C)

	4th Sun of Easter	5th Sun of Easter
1st Reading	Acts 13:14, 43-52	Acts 14:21-27
Psalm:	Ps 99:1-3, 5	Ps 144:8-13.R.cf.v.1
2nd Reading	Apoc 7:9, 14-17	Apoc 21:1-5
Gospel	John 10:27-30	John 13:31-35

4th Sunday of Easter: 'I KNOW MY SHEEP.' The apostles faced much opposition as they proclaimed the Good News of Christ. Since then, many Christians have suffered martyrdom in great persecutions. Today's Scripture readings make reference to such difficulties but they also offer a firm message of hope and consolation. The faithful followers of Jesus, those who listen to his voice, will have eternal life. They will never be lost forever or destroyed by evil forces. May these words console us as we strive to follow Jesus, the Good Shepherd, through the joys and struggles of life.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Harvey DELACOUR, George BASTIAN, Clare LAUMAN, David HOGAN, Justin CARR, Jason MORPHETT, Muriel URQUHART, John RHULE, Angelo MORETTI, Trish MORRISON, Annette BOYER, Ivy BRUCE, Pat BURNS, Agnes CHARNLEY, Lee CONSTABLE, David DOWLING, Grace FERRINGTON, Marjorie GLEESON, Thomas HARTE, Helen HOGAN, Kellin HYDE, John JAMES, Pauline JOHNSON, Chloe MASON, Tarryn MCDERMOTT, Trevor PAYNE, Christina PETERS, Colin ROBINSON, John SHEPHERD, Candice THOMPSON, Samantha TSALIKIS and Valerie WORKMAN.

(If you know of someone no longer required to be included in this list, please contact the Parish Office. Thankyou)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ETERNAL REPOSE OF THE SOULS: For Carmel Rose O'HARA, Sheila HOBBS, Sr Eugenia BARRETT RSM, Sr Margaret CHEERS RSM, Sr Miriam DEVINE RSM, Sr Ruth WYATTE RSM, Anthony BARNES and Margaret WOODS who died recently and for David ANDREWS, Des SHEPHERD, Ian SHEPHERD, Pamela RAMPLING, Julie ELFVERSON, Gwen JAZOWY, Keith LYNCH, Neville DOWNES, Steven GALLACHER, Teresa PEHRSON, Alfred PEHRSON, Peggy PEHRSON and Colin YEO whose anniversaries occur around this time.

RESPONSE: (Ps99:1-3, 5) We are God's people, the sheep of his flock.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (John 10:14) **Alleluia! Alleluia!** I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep and mine know me. **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

MYSTERY OF FAITH: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia

ENTRANCE: COME RING OUT OUR JOY

Come ring out our joy to the Lord,
Come ring out our hope in His promises,
Let more of his people welcome His news.

**REFRAIN: Come ring out loud
Come ring out strong
Come live a new life in Him**

Come celebrate life with our Lord,
Come show Him our thanks for His promises,
Let more of His people move to His song. ®

Come remember the people He loves,
Come remember the poor and His promises,
Let more of His people remember His plan. ®

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PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS: OPEN MY EYES LORD

Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face.
Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.

Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice
Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.

Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you
Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love.

I live within you. Deep in your heart, O Love.
I live within you. Rest now in me.

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REFLECTION: SHEPHERD ME O GOD

**REFRAIN: Shepherd me, O God, beyond my
wants, beyond my fears, from death
into life.**

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. ®

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,
my spirit shall sing the music of your Name. ®

Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,
your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. ®

You have set me a banquet of love in the face of
hatred, crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to
hold. ®

Surely your kindness and mercy follow me
all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of my
God forever more. ®

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RECESSIONAL: SONG OF GOD'S PEOPLE

**REFRAIN: Let the trumpets sound, let the music
play, let the song of God's people be
heard, and let the praise of God
resound throughout heaven and earth.**

People of God sing out your praise
Sing of the glory of our God.
Lift up your voice and let your praise be heard. ®

The sick, the needy, the broken, the poor,
the rich, the strong, all gather as one.
blest and made whole in the love of our God. ®

In You, oh God we place our trust,
Your love and kindness, You lavish on us,
we celebrate your life in us, O God. ®

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