

Mother of Good Counsel Parish

(embracing the areas of Innisfail, Mourilyan & South Johnstone)

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Mother of Good Counsel 90 Rankin St, Innisfail

Sat, Vigil Mass 6.30pm # Sun, 9am # 3rd Sun, Monthly 11am, Italian Mass

St Rita of Cascia 5 Green St, South Johnstone

Sun, 7am (every 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday)

Christ the King 10 Harbour Rd, Mourilyan

Sun, 7am (every 2nd & 4th Sunday)

PARISH SCHOOLS

Good Counsel College 66 Owen St, Innisfail

Ph:(07) 40635300 Web: www.gcc.qld.edu.au Paul Keenan (Principal)

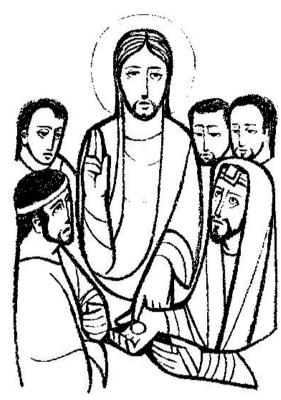
Good Counsel Primary 96 Rankin St, Innisfail

Ph:(07) 40612994 Web: www.gcps.qld.edu.au Liam Kenny (Principal)

St Rita's Primary 8 Green St, South Johnstone

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Vicki Conomo (Principal)

RENDERING TO CAESAR IS ABOUT MORALS, NOT POLITICS



"The famous reply Jesus, of Caesar what belongs to Caesar; and to God what belongs to God' is not a evasion... With clever this reply, (Jesus) turns the question back on his interrogators taking the discussion level of the partisanship beyond the they are trying to exploit, he tells them that they are faced by a decision of conscience. As is so often the case think of our own times - involvement in the political life of the nation is not a straightforward matter. The Romans had

originally occupied Palestine at the invitation of Jewish bringing a relative stability that replaced a situation of continuing anarchy. The contemporaries of Jesus must ask themselves whether the presence the Romans was the lesser of two evils... Jesus invites the people to make their own judgment of conscience; he does not make it for them. We would misunderstand the reply of Jesus if we thought it was meant to instruct us about the relationship that should exist between Church and State. His reply concerns, not the order of politics, but the order of moral responsibility - the individual's duty to participate in the life of the nation in a way that best promotes the common good of justice and peace."

From a sermon by Fr John Thornhill SM

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday 21 October ~ 4pm - 5pm in the Prayer Room, Parish Centre

TODAY WE CELEBRATE

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Pastor's Pen

The late Bishop Michael Putney of Townsville some years ago invited the Benedictine Monk Laurence Freeman, the director of the World Community for **Christian Meditation**, to his Diocese to introduce Christian Meditation. Fr Laurence visited Parishes & Schools throughout the Townsville Diocese, what was remarkable was how the process of **relaxation**, **resting** and **refocusing** took on, with teachers and students in classrooms; fruits of that exposure soon became evident, Fr Laurence made reference to the Townsville experience on his website, results of which are evident and spoken of in the Diocese to-day.

The merits of **Meditation** surfaced in discussions in Mental Health Week, when Professionals, Lay People and the Media discussed the alarming statistics of stress and pressure and their outcomes that many face in our Cities and the Country to-day. **Meditation and Mindfulness** are ways of helping at such times: **living in the present moment, accepting 'what is', using ones senses, savouring and being**. Interesting the present moment is all we have, the past is gone and the future has not arrived, **Mindfulness** fine tunes the present time as gift, to be embraced and for one to grow in awareness of.

Fr Kerry

Parish Office

Office Hours for next week are:

Monday 20 October, Tuesday 21 October 10am - 3pm,
Wednesday 22 October 9.30am - 4pm
Thursday 23 October 10am - 12 noon
& Friday 24 October 10.30am - 3.30pm

Funeral Pre Planning

This is a service offered by the Parish to the Living to make prior arrangements for the Celebration of their Funeral Liturgy. By phoning the Parish and making an appointment with the Parish Secretary you may be helped to make choices for Readings, Readers, Hymns, Organist, Pall Bearers, the Pall Ceremony, Eulogy, with a Mass or not and to nominate the Church. This information will be confidential and kept on file. Such planning could well be appreciated by your grieving family and gives them the opportunity to honour your wishes.

World Mission Sunday 2014

"When I grow up I want to be alive" focusing on Jamaica.

God, who is rich in mercy...
made us alive.
Ephesians 2:4-6



SES Week 18 ~ 26 October 2014



The Annual Church Service for the State Emergency Services will be held next Monday evening (20th October) at Mother of Good Counsel Church, commencing at 6.30pm. With dry conditions in vast areas of our country already SES personnel have already been to the forefront in prevention while protecting lives and property. The SES is designed to empower people to help themselves and others in their community in times of emergency and disaster. An invitation is extended to the community to show solidarity and come together for this special time of prayer.

Refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre at the conclusion of the service. Please join us on this occasion!

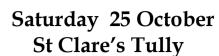
"What Are You Talking About?"

Finding it hard knowing what to say in conversations about marriage with your family and friends? Take a copy of the What Is Marriage brochure that explains the simple facts about marriage in everyday language. Let's educate the world one person at a time!"

A brochure is included in this weekends bulletin.

Feast of St Gerard Majella Tully

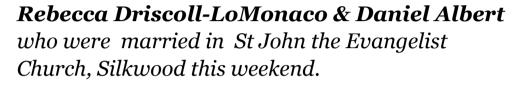
"60th" Celebrations



Mass at 2pm followed by Procession at 3.30pm. Stalls and BBQ, to follow. Fireworks at 8.30pm! Everyone Welcome!

United in Marriage

Congratulations to



We offer them our prayers and best wishes.

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Baptisms

Last weekend we welcomed *Sterling McPeake and Madison Nuttall* into our Parish community through Baptism.



"T" Shirt Exhibition by Lou Micallef

"Tin Fork"
Hynes St, South Johnstone

Saturday 25 October - 2pm ~ 6pm All Welcome!

Gifts for St Vincent De Paul Pantry

This week we are asking for gifts of food items (non perishable) to be taken up at all Masses next weekend. Food items can be left at the Parish Centre or at your Church.

Catholic Leader In this issue:

- Improvements to marriage and seminary preparation major focus for synod on family.
- Carmelites worldwide celebrate 500th anniversary since St Teresa of Avila's birth..
- Special feature on Mission Sunday 2014

Emmaus

Come Journey With Us! Open for those in Year 10 and up. We meet in the Parish Centre from 7.30pm - 9pm each Thursday evening.

Our next gathering will be on **Thursday 23 October.**

For more information:

Contact: **NET Team** - 0457 740 815 or gccnetteam@gcc.qld.edu.au

Humour



This Sunday's Texts:

Is 45:1, 4-6 1 Thess 1:1-5 Mt 22:15-21

Next Sunday's Texts:

Ex 22:20-26 1 Thess 1:5-10 Mt 22:34-40 Church & Toilet
Closing Roster
Week commencing
19 October

Fred Caltabiano

Church Cleaning Roster - Mourilyan

Mary Rose Lissa

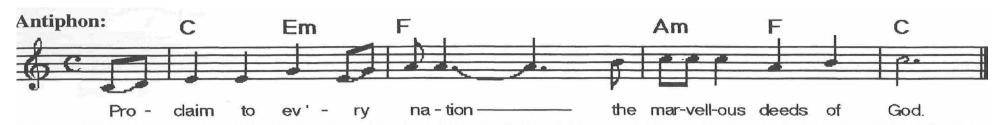
Altar Linen Roster 20 October

Von Bimrose

PLANNED GIVING: Envelopes \$2285.77; Loose \$452.80

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH					
Tuesday	10.00am 4.00pm	Rosary Group - Parish Centre Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Prayer Room			
Wednesday Thursday	1.30pm 10.00am	Divine Mercy Prayer Group - Eda Celledoni's Home, Mourilyan Rosary and Prayers for Priests - Prayer Room, Parish Centre			

Responsorial Psalm



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Recently Deceased

Bro Donald NEWTON (Sydney)

Anniversaries

John CARDENTI, Rosario TORRISI, Frank SIGNORINI, Josephine GRECH, Meldon NOONE, John MARTORELLA, William McAVOY, James DOOLAN, George TAYLOR, Antonio LOPO, Concetta LOPO, Alfio NUCIFORA, Edward MOLLOY, Rufino CABANA, Fr Pierre BUCAS, Bill McGREGOR, Matthew SHAW, Siby RINAUDO, Fr Thomas MESCALL OSA, Henry NOBLE, Alice CROFT, Joe GRIMA, Robert PERRY

WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY 20th 8.00am Innisfail

TUESDAY 21st 8.00am Innisfail

WEDNESDAY 22nd 8.00am Innisfail

THURSDAY 23rd NO MORNING MASS

FRIDAY 24th 9.00am Villanova

SATURDAY 25th 10.45am Warrina - Lay led Liturgy with Communion

All people involved as Commentators, Readers, Ministers of Communion are asked to be at Church <u>15 minutes</u> prior to the commencement of Mass.

RECONCILIATION (Innisfail) Saturday 11.30am

SUNDAY MASS TIMES & ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 25/26 OCTOBER						
Week 4 25/26 OCTOBER	6.30pm Sat Innisfail	7.00am Sun Mourilyan	7.00am Sun Sth Johnstone	9.00am Sun Innisfail		
COMMENTATOR	M. Todd	E. Celledoni	///////////////////////////////////////	V. Vandeleur		
READERS	M. Kerrigan R. Henderson	C. Morrison	///////////////////////////////////////	J. Ferguson S. Tuttle		
CIBORIUM	A. Amatt	1/	///////////////////////////////////////	M. Gangi		
CHALICES	L. Apps V. Calleja L. Calleja St Vincent De Paul	V. Toca	///////////////////////////////////////	M. Sorbello A. Sheerans		
HOSPITALITY	B. Barnett	R. Bandiera	///////////////////////////////////////	M. Nolan, L. Savage		
MUSIC	St Vincent De Paul	///////////////////////////////////////	///////////////////////////////////////	Diana & John		

The Adult Catholic

The Mass as heaven on earth

You will recall we are dealing with the proposition that the Mass is "heaven on earth". Catholics are instinctively a little uncomfortable when Anglican friends refer to a Eucharistic liturgy as a "Service". The reason for our discomfort s is summed up well by Father Benedict Groeschel when he says "The Mass is not a religious service like the Rosary or Benediction which is something we do for God. But the Holy Sacrifice of the Eucharist is not in its essence done by man at all. When I celebrate Mass I am not conducting a service but acting as a stand-in for the High Priest. I am there functioning in the person of Christ, the High Priest of the Epistle to the Hebrew."