

## Mother of Good Counsel Parish

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

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## Parish Bulletin Sunday 1 March 2015

#### **PARISH CHURCHES**

#### **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

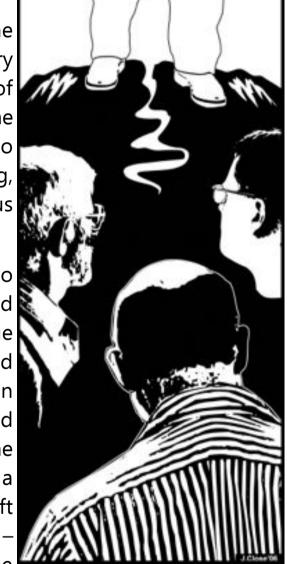
Ph:(07) 40642153
Web: www.stritascps.qld.edu.au
Vicki Conomo (Principal)

## Testing leads to trusting

"The destination of our Lenten journey is clearly to be seen in today's readings: the mystery of the Cross, in which the father 'did not spare his own Son', and the glory which was to be the Risen Christ's in his final triumph, glimpsed on the mountain.

"The testing of Abraham is one of the masterpieces of the Old Testament. The story echoes a brutal age in which the sacrifice of children was not uncommon – in fact, the people of the old Israel were taught to sacrifice an animal in place of their offspring, to turn them away from this horrendous temptation.

"But the real point of the story, made so wonderfully, is the absolute trust that is asked of Abraham, making him the model of all true believers. To the people of Abraham's world there was nothing more important in life than descendants who would remember and honour them. Long after the age when he could expect a child, God gave Abraham a son. If he gives up Isaac, he has nothing left but his trust in God. That trust is rewarded – those who will call him their father will be



countless; all the peoples of the earth will be blessed in his name – through the salvation brought by the Cross of Christ.

"This heart-rending story of the testing of a father's love is linked in today's liturgy with the basic truth of our Christian faith, proclaimed by St Paul, in the second reading. The eternal Father, who for our sake 'did not spare his own Son', will not refuse anything to his people in their need."

(An extract from a homily on this week's Gospel by Fr John Thornhill sm)

# 2nd SUNDAY of LENT

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday 3 March ~ 4pm ~ 5pm in the Prayer Room, Parish Centre

#### Fr Laurie Timms

This weekend we welcome Fr Laurie who will preside at the Saturday evening Vigil Mass, 7am Mass at South Johnstone and 9am in Innisfail.

## Parish Office

Office Hours for next week are:

Monday 2 March,
Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th March 10am - 3pm
Thursday 5 March 9.15am - 11.15am
& 12.45pm -3.45pm
& Friday 6 March 10am - 3pm

## **Project Compassion Envelopes**

Lenten Share Packs (Envelopes) are still available in each church. A **second collection** will be taken up at all Masses for the Lenten Season.

**Stations of the Cross** will be held each Friday evening during Lent at **St Alban's Church**, **Rankin Street**, **Innisfail commencing at 7pm**.

#### Wanted!!

**CLEAN, Small Glass bottles** (eg baby food, spice/mustard jars), suitable for Easter water may be left at the Parish Office.

## Mass of the Holy Oils (Chrism Mass)

**Friday 27 March**, St Monica's Cathedral, Cairns commencing at 7pm.

Date has been amended!

Parishioners are encouraged to attend!

## A Sense of Humour



## Leaving Collection Cyclone Marcia Appeal - Weekend 7/8 March

## Children's Liturgy

Next Saturday evening, 7 March at the 6.30pm Vigil Mass. Children of primary school age will be invited to come forward at the beginning of Mass and then taken into the Parish Centre to hear the readings of the week at their level and to complete an activity. We hope to see you there!

Any queries, please contact Lisa deBuck on 40633524

## Hospitality Mother of Good Counsel - Innisfail

Welcome EVERYONE - for a happy cuppaaa ... following Mass next Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Please bring a plate to share.

Come <u>share</u>, <u>laugh</u> and <u>eat</u> with your Church Community.

See you there!



## Southern Deanery Liturgy Inservice Innisfail

The next meeting for the above group will be held in **Innisfail** on **14 March from 10am to 12 noon.** The theme for this meeting is "Word Ministry".

Parishioners involved in or interested in Liturgy Ministry are also invited to attend.

For lunch catering purposes please advise

Parish Office by Wednesday 11 March

if you will be attending this

meeting on 4061 6633

## Cherishing life.

Marriage, contraceptive insights, the theology of the body- talk by Bernard Toutounji, Catholic Leader columnist.

Bernard holds a Bachelor of Theology from the Catholic Institute of Sydney and a Master of Theology from the John Paul II Institute for Marriage and the Family, Melbourne.

Seville Mercy Conference Centre,35 Bauhinia Ave, Earlville, Wednesday March 11, 7.30pm.

## World Day of Prayer 2015



World Day of Prayer—Friday 6 March St Alban's Anglican Church, Innisfail Everyone Welcome!

## Australian Catholics In this issue

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The changing tides of the Great War



Val Noone | 29 January 2015

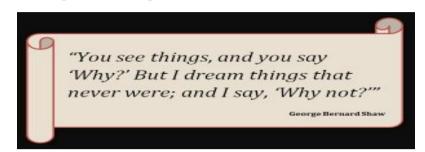
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#### Catholic Leader

#### In this issue:

- St Mary's school, Beaudesert, rises from the ashes.
- A regional focus on Cairns Diocese
- Dalai Lama to be guest at multi-faith event in St Stephen's Cathedral.

#### **Quote of the Day**



Church & Toilet
Closing Roster
Week
commencing
1 March
Bryce Hoad

Church Cleaning Roster - Mourilyan

Lorna Croatto

Altar Linen Roster
2 March

Pierina Bertuola

This Sunday's Texts:

Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18 Rom 8:31-34 Mk 9:2-10 **Next Sunday's Texts:** Ex 20:1-17,

1 Cor 1:22-25 Jn 2:13-25

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RGMHXRXOMSDHOMWNO

This is my Son and I love him (Mk 9:2-10)



Draw a line from each of the following statements to either Moses of Elijah.



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Try to find these words:

alone, clothes, cloud, frightened, high, Moses Mountain, Peter, shelters, Son, teacher, three

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#### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Elijah

Tuesday10.00amItalian Prayer Group—Parish CentreWednesday1.30pmEucharistic Adoration—Christ the King, MourilyanThursday10.00amRosary & Prayers for Priests—Prayer Room, Parish Centre



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## Recently Deceased

**Alf CUTULI, Negimias LUMUKSO (Fr Tony's father)** 

#### Anniversaries

Saverio DIMECH, Hugh FITZGERALD, Joseph STEINE, Roldan-LL ABASCAL, Kevin MORAN, Mario SARDI, Dr Elmer PASIMIO, Sr Agatina CURMI, Giovanni SANTAROSSA, Emma SULTANA, Angelo CATALDO, Ethel KING,, Angelo SALVADORI, Charles COSTIGAN, Nellie FOLEY, Joseph SPINA, Ursola MIZZI, Christopher ERNST, Albert DI PALMA, Meg MORTON, George MALTETE, Dina CORSI, Angelo ROMANO, Sebastiano LO GUIDICE, Patrick DEVANEY, Ethel YOUNG, Mary MORRIS, Symeon KOKKINOS, Pauline CARTER, William SING, Bernadette HARRISON, Lilit FLORES-KING, Maria VACCA, Irene BUTLER, Lee FRIEL, Cyril MC KENNA, Fr Edmund HOGAN OSA, Fr John CANI Pro-Vicar Apostolic, Fr Alypius DEMPSEY OSA

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

NO MORNING MASS MONDAY 2nd

6.00pm Innisfail

**TUESDAY 3rd** 

**WEDNESDAY 4th** 

NO MORNING MASS **THURSDAY 5th** 

FRIDAY 6th 9.00am Villanova - Lay Led Liturgy

8.00am Innisfail

**SATURDAY 7th** 10.45am Warrina - Lay Led Liturgy

SUNDAY MASS TIMES & ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 7/8 MARCH				
Week 2 7/8 MARCH	6.30pm Sat Innisfail	7.00am Sun Mourilyan	7.00am Sun Sth Johnstone	9.00am Sun Innisfail
COMMENTATOR	P. Bryan	E. Celledoni	///////////////////////////////////////	R. Basaglia
READERS	Youth Reader P. Dryden	J. Shang	///////////////////////////////////////	B. Bortolanza C. Basaglia
CIBORIUM	L. Calleja	///////////////////////////////////////	///////////////////////////////////////	A. Amatt
CHALICES	V. Calleja A. Campagnolo V. Bimrose	V. Toca	///////////////////////////////////////	M. Carboni M. Gangi A. Sheerans S. Hoad
HOSPITALITY	B. Barnett	L. Croatto	///////////////////////////////////////	M. Nolan
MUSIC	Antoinette & Christine	///////////////////////////////////////	///////////////////////////////////////	Diana & Vince



This week we meet Mariama who is raising her daughter in Niger, a country that suffers widespread poverty. When her little girl became malnourished, she received life-saving food and care at a Nutrition Centre, supported by Caritas Australia.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2015 and help save the lives of people living on the brink of survival in Niger, giving them access to nutritional support and essential food for life.

Our Parish Contribution last week was \$601.40