

# Mother of Good Counsel Parish

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

# Parish Priest ~ Fr Kerry Crowley

PO Box 64, Innisfail QLD 4860 email: mgc@gcc.qld.edu.au

Tel: 4061 6633 Fax: 4061 7634 Parish website www.gcparish.org.au

# Parish Bulletin Sunday 26 July 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)

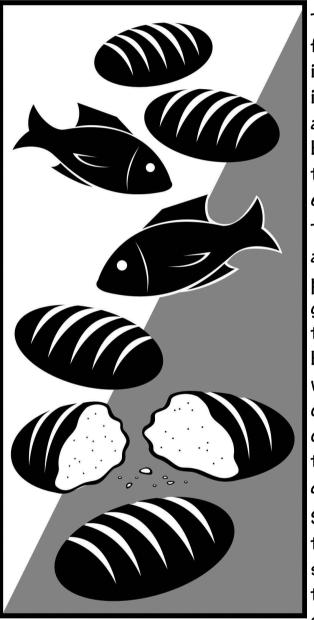
# Good Counsel Primary 96 Rankin St, Innisfail

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)

# **JESUS FEEDS FIVE THOUSAND**



The feeding of the five thousand is one of the few episodes reported in all four Gospels. It is therefore to be considered as particularly important. Today we move from the Gospel according to Mark, to that of St John, because John, as was his wont, gives details the others do not, but more importantly, he explains the significance of the event.

The miraculous feeding of the hungry was always seen as a demonstration of the presence of God, magnanimous in his generosity. So the hundred men were fed at the behest of Elisha and not only had their fill, but there was some left over. The food they were given was the "first fruits", traditionally offered in sacrifice to God. So when Elisha ordered that the food be diverted from God to the hundred hungry men, it was seen doubly as a gift from God.

So now on the lake shore when the five thousand were fed and twelve basket-fulls of scraps remained over, they were sure that they were in the presence of the divine. It was shortly before the Jewish Feast of Passover,

when their thoughts turned to their liberation at the hands of the Messiah. One of the signs to be given them whereby they would recognise the Messiah would be some sort of repetition of the manna, that food from heaven that had sustained their ancestors in the desert where they had fled to liberation from the slavery of Egypt. We shall see that the Manna was very much on their minds, as they recognised in Jesus the Prophet so often promised. They had badly missed the point, seeing in the liberation promised not as freedom from the slavery of sin, but as deliverance from the oppression of Rome. So they marched on Jesus, determined to make him King. He escaped back to the hills, there to commune with his Father for the momentous statement he would make on the morrow.

(Source: Random Thoughts—Upon the Year of St Mark, William Grundy)

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday 28 July ~ 4pm - 5pm in the Prayer Room, Parish Centre

TODAY WE CELEBRATE

17th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

### The Pastor's Pen

From time to time with the passage of life, one may get awakened with a 'close shave' with death, resulting from some unexpected event. The event may have a devastating and life-threatening effect, the aftermath of which is shock, an acute sense of having survived and being alive, luck, the negative thoughts of 'what if' and finally a profound appreciation of gratitude and thanks to God.

Such thoughts were played out in my mind as I watched the film clip of Mick Fanning during the week; the triple world champion surfer seemed helpless while the fin of the suspected great white shark was uncomfortably close to Mick and his board, then Mick disappeared momentarily, shortly after he was miraculously rescued.

Visibly shaken Mick re-countered his near-death experience, "I literally jumped away and it kept coming at my board and I was kicking and swimming, I just saw fin - I didn't see the teeth, I was waiting for some teeth to come at me as I was swimming. I punched it in the back."

Shock, relief, wonder, gratitude and thanks to God may well be the process for recovery.

Fr Kerry

# Parish Office

Office Hours for next week are:

Monday 27 July 10am - 1pm, Tuesday 28 July 9am - 2pm, Wednesday 29 July 9am - 2pm Thursday 30 July 9am - 2pm, & Friday 31 July 12 noon - 5pm

# Diocesan Synod

Parish representatives have met in Cairns this weekend at the invitation of Bishop James for the annual gathering of the Synod. The topic for the meeting is 'Pastoral Planning' and our representatives are: Angie Sheerans, John Terry and Barbara Bortolanza.

# Ignatian Spirituality Group

An invitation is extended to anyone interested in continuing the Ignatian experience with Group Meetings is invited to a short meeting (30 minutes) at the Parish Centre on Friday July 31st at 5.30 pm, the Feast Day of St Ignatius of Loyola.



# Baptism

This weekend we welcome *Ryan Forsyth and Zenzi Russo* into our Parish community through Baptism.

#### St Vincent De Paul

There will be a leaving collection taken up for St Vincent De Paul at all Masses this weekend.

## Catholic Education Week

Next week is Catholic Education Week, the Southern Deanery Schools Mass is at Mother of Good Counsel Church on Tuesday July 28th commencing at 10am.

All Are Welcome!

### **Chancel Windows**

From the Artists:

The glass is called streaky reamy because during its manufacture three primary colours are swirled together giving the "streaks", and it is called "reamy" because there is a slight random texture in the surface of the glass which castes a marble like light on the reveals and floor.

An order was placed for a batch of this glass to be mouth blown at the famous Lamberts' glass studio in Germany. In 2014 we chose the best forty-one of the sixty sheets that they had mouth blown.

The golden rays of the design start from a point approximately level with the roof of the church and radiate across the five chancel windows. The background colours begin with predominately lemon at the top, then yellow, amber, red, brown, green, aqua, blue and finish with dark purples and browns. Compositionally the radiating yellow beams of light symbolising the Presence of the Holy Spirit gives the composition unity and strength. The three central chancel windows have stained glass golden yellow roundels with "IHS", "ALPHA" and "OMEGA" painted with kiln fired glass paint.

Gerry Cummins and Jill Stehn Pty Ltd

Stained Glass Artists 12th July 2015

#### **Diocesan News**

The next edition of the Diocesan News is now available in each of the churches.

#### A ALPHA O OMEGA

Alpha is the first letter of the Greek Alphabet mentioned with 'omega', the last letter. God declares himself to be the 'Alpha' and the 'Omega', the beginning and the end, the first and the last, the totality.

(Revelations 1:8; 21:6; 22:13).

# United in Marriage

Congratulations to

#### Cassandra Zadelj & Codey Spence

who were married in Mother of Good Counsel Church Innisfail this weekend.

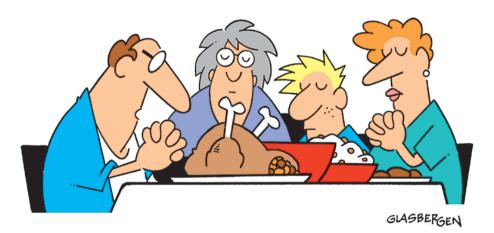
We offer them our prayers and best wishes.

# **IHS Monogram**

The IHS is a symbolic monogram of Christ used by the Roman Catholic Church. The monogram consists of the Greek letters iota, eta, and sigma, the three letters of the name lesous (Greek for Jesus), the letters of which are also used to spell out the Latin phrase "lesous Hominem Salvator," "Jesus Savior of man." It relates to the story of Constantine, whose vision of the Chi-Rho was recorded by Church Father Eusebius. In the vision, Constantine was reported to have heard a voice proclaim, "In the symbol, thou shalt conquer." Therefore, the IHS has also stood for "In Hoc Signo," in this sign.

St Ignatius of Loyola adopted the monogram in his seal as general of the Society of Jesus (1541), and thus it became the emblem of his institute (The Jesuits.) It is on the coat of arms of Pope Francis.

© Randy Glasbergen glasbergen.com



"Lord, make us grateful for the cholesterol, diabetes, high blood pressure, weight gain and indigestion we are about to receive . "

#### Catholic Leader

#### In this issue:

- Tributes flow for Jesuit Father Gregory Jordan following his death in Brisbane.
- ◆ 24-page feature publication introduces Catholic Education Week 2015

# Hospitality St Rita's — South Johnstone

Welcome EVERYONE - for a happy cuppaga ... following Mass next 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!

## Chamber Philharmonia Cologne Orchestra



Mother of Good Counsel Church, Innisfail Tuesday 4 August 2015 at 8pm

Tickets are available at Larsen's Newsagency Ph. 4061 1028 Adults: \$35

Seniors/Pensioners: \$30 Students/Children: \$25

This Sunday's Texts:

2 Kg 4:42-44 Eph 4:1-6

Jn 6:1-15

**Next Sunday's Texts:** 

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15 Eph 4:17, 20-24 In 6:24-35

Church & Toilet
Closing Roster
Week
commencing
26July

Vince McAvoy

Church Cleaning Roster - Mourilyan

N/A

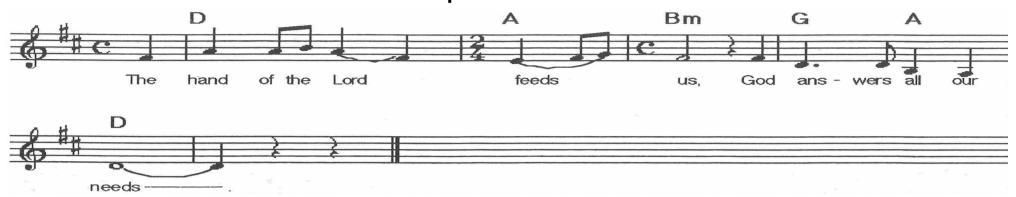
Altar Linen Roster 27 July

Lynne Catalano

# THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Wednesday1.30pmDivine Mercy Prayer Group - Eda Celledoni's Home, MourilyanThursday10.00amRosary & Prayers for Priests - Prayer Room, Parish Centre

#### Responsorial Psalm



© 1994 Jenny O'Brien . 10 Noble St, Brighton. South Australia. 5048. The words of this psalm may be copied for use in parish liturgies by parishes which have purchased the book. Music may not be copies except with the written permission of the composer. All unlawful copying prohibited.

# Recently Deceased

Vince VELLA (Babinda), Fr Tyson DONELEY MSC, Fr Greg JORDAN SJ

### Anniversaries

Angelo COCO, Charlie DIMECH, Robert MINON, Walter HENDERSON, Thelma PINE, Joan GUNTON, Des CROWE, Thomas GILMOUR, Sam ABLEA, Angela DALTON, Hannah McLEISH, Ken HOULIHAN, Joe KELLY, Fr Dominic FOGARTY OSA, Fr Dominic DAL BELLO CS, Maria BRINCAT, Violet GIBSON, Archibaldo SUMIDAO SNR, Bill RAFFLES, Constance TIERNEY, Joseph GRECH, John WARWICK, Laurence BREEN, Leisa PATERSON & Baby ADE N, Con KELLY, Alfio FICHERA, Maria MICALE, Giuseppina REA, Rosalinde LONG HONG, Monica ERNST, Margaret RULE, Tim CASEY, Emilia SORDELLI, Sr, Maria WELCH IBVM, Myles HALPIN, Anne MADDEN, Michael McNAMEE JNR, Richard POSAR, Carmelina LIZZIO, Maria SALVESTRO

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

MONDAY 27th	8.00am Innisfail	
TUESDAY 28th	8.00am Innisfail 10.00am Innisfail - Catholic Education Week Celebration Mass	
WEDNESDAY 29th	8.00am Innisfail	St Martha
THURSDAY 30th	NO MORNING MASS	
FRIDAY 31st	9.00am Villanova	St Ignatius of Loyola
SATURDAY 1st	10.45am Warrina	St Alphonsus Liguori

#### RECONCILIATION: (Innisfail) Saturday 11.30am

SUNDAY MASS TIMES & ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 1/2 AUGUST					
Week 1 1/2 AUGUST	6.30pm Sat Innisfail	7.00am Sun Mourilyan	7.00am Sun Sth Johnstone	9.00am Sun Innisfail	
COMMENTATOR	S. Todd	///////////////////////////////////////	L. Massa	B. Bortolanza	
READERS	M. Todd M. Treston	///////////////////////////////////////	M. Stephensen R. Alvero	Madeleine Bignall Chelsea Zaini	
CIBORIUM	M. McCormick-Brown	///////////////////////////////////////	///////////////////////////////////////	P. Renneberg	
CHALICES	J. Said L. Lanzafame L. Catalano C. Catalano	///////////////////////////////////////	B. Davies J. Brincat	S. Lynch M. Hogan J. Terry S. Terry	
HOSPITALITY	B. Barnett	///////////////////////////////////////	E. Sumich	M. Nolan, S. Hoad	
MUSIC	Silkwood Duo	///////////////////////////////////////	///////////////////////////////////////	Youth Group	

## **ISymbols and Images**

When we see Jesus' concern for the crowd, his desire to feed and sustain them and his rejection of personal glory, we are reminded that Jesus came as one who serves. As Christians, we too must serve others. Another dominant symbol here is that of the messianic feast. This image was used often in the Hebrew scriptures to describe the time when the messiah comes; all will be filled to abundance.

(Source: The Summit)