

Mother of Good Counsel Parish

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

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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)

MY FLESH IS REAL FOOD AND MY BLOOD IS REAL DRINK

The Jews loved picturesque language and Jesus, as a typical Jew, often employed it: Metaphor, hyperbole, simile, etc. When he spoke figuratively and was understood literally, he immediately corrected the misconception, sometimes quite sharply; when he spoke literally and people thought he was using figures of speech, he never explained himself, only reiterated what he had said in more forceful language.

And so it was in the synagogue at Capernaum the day after he had fed the 5000. He had said that the food he would give them was his flesh for the life of the world. This was strange language indeed and legitimately enough they questioned it. Was he really to be taken literally? Did he mean that they were actually to eat him, or was it all some elaborate figure of speech?



As was his custom, Jesus neither defended his

statement or explained it: he merely repeated the message over and over again in short one-syllable words that came as directly as bullets from his mouth: "If you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink." There can be no mistaking his meaning. He does not explain how it is to be done, but that it be done is of the essence of discipleship of him.

St Rita's Primary 8 Green St, South Johnstone

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

20th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Tuesday 18 August ~ 4pm - 5pm in the Prayer Room, Parish Centre

The Pastor's Pen

Last week was Vocations Awareness Week a time to pray and reflect on the Vineyard and the Crop for harvesting. The Church is blessed with a rich reservoir of Vocations but like any organisation to be relevant it always needs to 'keep the pot boiling' to cast the net, invite and challenge workers in the vineyard for harvest time.

Recently I was contacted by Nathan McKay, our sole Seminarian who had just completed his Seminary Studies from the Beda College in Rome and is currently resettling into the Diocese while spending some time with family at Gordonvale. Nathan was ordained Deacon on 18th June of last Year. He had just visited Bishop James and was excited to share with me the content of his conversation.

Bishop James has asked Nathan to come to Innisfail in the next week or two and after Ordination on the 18th September this year he is to be appointed to the Parish of Mother of **Good Counsel Innisfail.**

I am delighted with the appointment for many reasons: our Parish and Schools provides many exciting challenges and opportunities for a newly ordained Priest to 'get the smell of the sheep'.

I have very fond memories of my first placement at Mother of Good Counsel Parish, North Cairns with the then Vicar general the late Monsignor John Mullins in 1974.

I am also reminded that the last to be Ordained to the Priesthood in the Cairns Diocese was Fr Neil Muir on 4th February 1994.

Let's continue to pray for Nathan and for Vocations, you may well wish to take up the Invitation to Nathan's Ordination, and details are in the bulletin insert.

Fr Kerry

Parish Office

Office Hours for next week are:



'Laudato Si' is an Encyclical Letter on Ecology and Climate by Pope Francis. Copies are being ordered in bulk, should you wish to purchase a copy add your name to the Clip Board at the main entry to the Church.

Ignatian Prayer Group

The Prayer Group is meeting each Tuesday afternoon at 5.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room. There will be a time for prayerful contemplation, reflection and sharing on the Gospel for the following Sunday, for around an hour. The group will meet again on Tuesday August 18th.

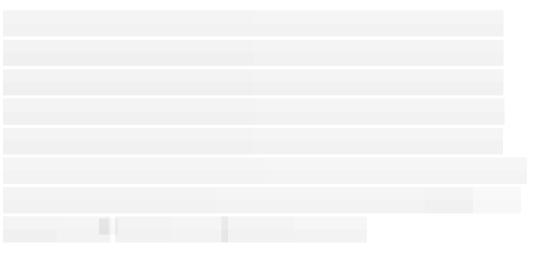
All are welcome.

Mother of Good Counsel Church Windows

Prayer Reflection

An invitation is extended to parishioners interested in coming together for a time of quiet reflection and shared prayer in the Parish Centre at 10.00am on Monday 17 August.

Only in *silence* can the word of God find a home in us, as it did in Mary, the woman of the word and inseparably, woman of silence. (Verbum Domini (2010) 66



Always do your best. What you plant now,

you will harvest later.

Og Mandíno

Western Deanery Catholic Womens Mass and Luncheon



Coming soon Great weekend for men

It is happening on the 22-23 August in St Therese's School Hall. Like thousands of other Catholic men around Australia who have already been on menALIVE weekends, you will be inspired and encouraged to renew your faith and rediscover God's purpose in your life. Experienced leaders from the national menALIVE team will be will be running the weekend. Come along and be inspired, encouraged, and rediscover God's purpose for your life. There is still time to register. Look for forms in the church foyer, or for more information:

http://menalivecairns2015.weebly.com John: 0434903284(mobile) or obrien.home@bigpond.com.

Jubilee Celebration

Fr Ivan Hernon and Fr Frank Crane will be celebrating their Jubilee at the 10am Mass and morning tea at St Monica's Cathedral on Sunday 13th September.

Fr Ivan and Fr Frank would like to extend an invitation to their many friends to join them for the 10am Mass and morning tea for this occasion.

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Ordination of **Michael John Lindsay** to the Sacred Order of Deacons Friday 28th August 2015 Commencing at 6.30pm St Joseph's Church, Atherton

Catholic Leader In this issue:

- Rosies man spends a week on the streets to see what it's like for the nation's homeless and to raise awareness of their plight.
- Catholic woman leads the way in caring for mothers with postnatal depression.

The Feast of Our Lady of the Chain

St Thomas's Catholic Church, Mareeba Sunday 13th September 2015 Mass at 2.30pm

Following mass there will be a procession of the statue of Our Lady of The Chain followed by a barbeque to be held in the school grounds. Food and drinks available. Fireworks display at 8.30pm. All Welcome!

August 16 Daguragu (Wave Hill Station) returned to Gurindji people in 1975

Wave Hill Station is located approximately 600 kilometres south of Darwin in the Northern Territory. Vesteys, a British pastoral company which ran the cattle station, employed local Aboriginal people, mostly Gurindji. Working and living conditions for Aboriginal people were very poor. The wages of Aboriginal workers generally were controlled and not equal to those paid to non-Aboriginal employees.

An attempt to introduce equal wages for Aboriginal workers was made in 1965, but in March 1966 the Conciliation and Arbitration Commission decided to delay until 1968 the payment of award wages to make Aboriginal workers in the cattle industry.

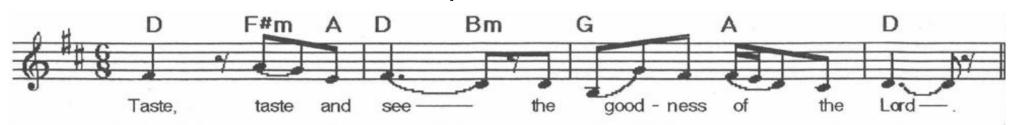
In August 1966, Vincent Lingiari, a Gurindji spokesman, led a walk -off of 200 Aboriginal stockmen, house servants and their families from Wave Hill as a protest against the work and pay conditions. The strike was part of a widespread campaign begun by workers on Brunette Downs Station and supported by non-Indigenous people, including unionists and the author Frank Hardy.

> More information is available on: www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs224.aspx

	hurch, Atherton ght refreshments		Church & Toilet Closing Roster	Church Cleaning	Altar Linen Roster
This Sunday's Texts: Prov 9:1-6 Eph 5:15-20 Jn 6:51-58	Next Sunday's Texts Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18 Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69	::	Week commencing 16 August Fred Caltabiano	Roster - Mourilyan Mary Rose Lissa	<i>17 August</i> Aurora Campagnolo
	THIS WEEK	IN	THE PARI	SH	
Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	10.00am 1.30pm 10.00am	Rosary Group - Parish Centre Divine Mercy Prayer Group - Eda Celledoni's Home, Mourilyan Rosary & Prayers for Priests - Prayer Room, Parish Centre			

PLANNED GIVING: Envelopes \$2461.47 Loose \$597.60

Responsorial Psalm



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Recently Deceased

Amalia ROSSI, Gavin SWINDLEY, Annie MARTORELLA, Fr Liam HORSFALL SVD (Brisbane), John EATON

Anniversaries

Elio FAVERO, Antonina GALIPO, Kevin WALTON, Evelyn FRENEY, Patrick HOGAN, Phillip BAXTER, Francesco MALVASO, Paddy FOSTER, Joe MARANO, Sam SANTITTO, Neil McCARTHY, Leonard MATTHEWS, Victoria ZAHRA, Noel SCOTT, Katie SPINA, Shirley EATON, Carmela CATALANO, William McAVOY, John MORAN, Charles LARKIN, Arthur AITKIN, Giacomo ACCORSINI, William O'HALLORAN, Aurelio SIGNORINI, Vera STUART, Angelina MARANO, Domenico ROTONDO, Margaret HERNON, John MUSUMECI, Phyllis SCULLEN, Carmela FAZIO, Jack WILKINSON, Bernie BOOTHBY, Fr Simplicianus GATT OSA, Rosaria SANTITTO, Elfreda CARMAN, Phillip BARNETT, Max WILLIAMSON, Fr Joseph PHELAN OSA, Edgar VENABLES, Michael HINCHEY, Doreen MITCHELL, Marge CAREW, Maria MORICONI, Jess McCARTHY, Dora WELLS, Vince O'FARRELL, Nardina LIZZIO

WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY 17th	8.00am Innisfail	
TUESDAY 18th	8.00am Innisfail 1.00pm Funeral Mass for Annie Martorella	
WEDNESDAY 19th	8.00am Innisfail	
THURSDAY 20th	NO MORNING MASS	
FRIDAY 21st	9.00am Villanova	St Pius X
SATURDAY 22nd	10.45am Warrina	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

RECONCILIATION: (Innisfail) Saturday 11.30am

SUNDAY MASS TIMES & ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 22/23 AUGUST						
Week 4 22/23 AUGUST	6.30pm Sat Innisfail	7.00am Sun Mourilyan	7.00am Sun Sth Johnstone	9.00am Sun Innisfail		
COMMENTATOR	M. Todd	J. Arnell	///////////////////////////////////////	V. Vandeleur		
READERS	M. Kerrigan R. Henderson	V. Weinert	///////////////////////////////////////	J. Ferguson		
CIBORIUM	L. Catalano	///////////////////////////////////////	///////////////////////////////////////	M. Gangi		
CHALICES	V. Calleja L. Calleja St Vincent De Paul	J. Arnell	///////////////////////////////////////	M. Sorbello A. Sheerans D. Wheeler		
HOSPITALITY	B. Barnett	R. Bandiera	///////////////////////////////////////	M. Nolan		
MUSIC	St Vincent De Paul	///////////////////////////////////////	///////////////////////////////////////	Diana & John		

In May 2004, a memorial to Vincent Lingiari was unveiled as part of Reconciliation Place in Canberra. Many Aboriginal people fondly remember Prime Minister Gough Whitlam and labelled him 'jangkarni marlaka' (big important man) when he died in October 2014.

www.creativespirits.info/aboriginal culture/politics/aboriginal-people-strike-walk-off-at-wave-hill