



# Mother of Good Counsel Parish

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

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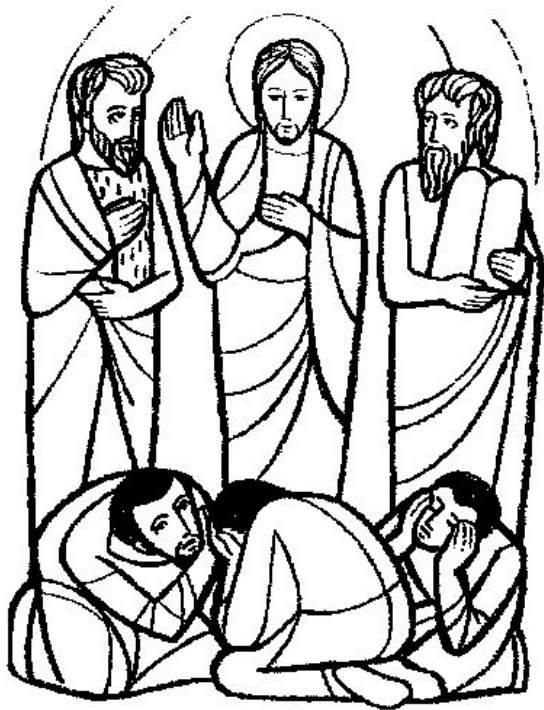
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### THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM

Jesus went to the mountain knowing full well what awaited him in Jerusalem – his betrayal, rejection and crucifixion. Jesus very likely discussed this momentous decision to go to the cross with Moses and Elijah. God the Father also spoke with Jesus and gave his approval: This is my beloved Son; listen to him.

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### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**Tuesday 18 March**

**from 4pm - 5pm**

**in the Prayer Room, Parish Centre**

*Today we celebrate*

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**YEAR A**

### **Liturgical Notes**

*“Though holy in its origin, the People of God nevertheless grows constantly in holiness by conscious, active, and fruitful participation in the mystery of the Eucharist” (General Instruction of the Roman Missal 5). By the waters of Baptism and the gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation we are caught up in being the children of God. We are thus empowered to fully share in the celebration of the Eucharist. Our weekly participation in Sunday Mass sustains us in our path of holiness. This participation calls us to be attentive hearers of God’s Word and to offer the sacrifice of the Mass. Together we bring the sacrifices of the past week to be consecrated in this Mass so that we can be the Body of Christ. “As we receive these glorious mysteries, we make thanksgiving to you, O Lord, for allowing us while still on earth to be partakers even now of the things of heaven.”* (Source: The Summit)

### *Weekend Mass Times*

22/23 March 2014

#### **Innisfail**

Saturday Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday 9.00am

#### **Mourilyan**

Sunday 7.00am

**Fr Kerry**

This weekend we welcome Fr Kerry back from annual leave. We hope that he has had an enjoyable holiday.

**Parish Office**  
Office Hours for next week are:  
Monday 17 March 12 noon - 5pm;  
Tuesday 18 March - Friday 21 March 10am - 3pm

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**Project Compassion**  
Lenten Share Packs (Envelopes) have been distributed and are available at the Church entrance. A **second collection** be taken up at all Masses for the Lenten Season.



**Lenten Discussion Group "You Have Set Us Free"**  
**Meets each Thursday during Lent at 4pm**  
**in the Parish Centre**

If anyone is interested in joining a Lenten discussion and prayer group please phone Parish Centre on 40616633 or Vince Vandeleur 40611119 as soon as possible.



**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)**  
**Wednesday 9 April**, St Monica's Cathedral, Cairns commencing at 7pm.

**Parishioners are encouraged to attend!**

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| <b>SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2014</b> |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>17 March</b>                      | St Patrick's Day                    |
| <b>9 April</b>                       | Mass of the Holy Oils (Chrism Mass) |
| <b>13 April</b>                      | Passion Sunday                      |
| <b>17 April</b>                      | Holy Thursday                       |
| <b>18 April</b>                      | Good Friday (Holy Places Appeal)    |
| <b>20 April</b>                      | EASTER SUNDAY                       |
| <b>25 April</b>                      | ANZAC DAY                           |

**Emmaus Youth Group**  
Due to the NET Team being on Year 8 Retreat next week Emmaus Youth Group will resume meeting on **Thursday evening 20 March** from 7pm - 9pm in the Parish Centre. The NET Team will be joining us each week adding an extra experience to our night. There's a number of youth events planned to happen this year allowing everyone to get involved.  
  
For more information please contact Charles [cdibella@gcc.qld.edu.au](mailto:cdibella@gcc.qld.edu.au) - 0407 743 478

**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.



## Second Sunday of Lent



Your donation to Project Compassion helps Caritas Australia pursue justice and assist those who are the most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice.

This week we meet Deng and his family in South Sudan. During the civil war Deng, who is blind, and his family fled their village. Returning many years later, they are rebuilding their lives with the help of a food security program.

**With your support, families like Deng's can be confident of a more secure future and can rebuild their lives.**

**Please donate to Project Compassion today.** Our parish contribution last week was \$646.75



## Gracious God,

You have blessed this ancient land  
With many gifts, especially its people.

We thank you for your abiding grace,  
Enabling us to start afresh from Christ.

You invite us to contemplate the face of  
Jesus your Son,  
That we may experience anew the joy of the gospel,  
And that the light of Christ may burn more brightly  
in our lives.

Attune our hearts and minds to the presence  
of your Holy Spirit,  
That our Church may be transformed,  
Our relationships be healed,  
And our nation grow in compassion and justice.

With the intercession of St Mary MacKillop,  
Who showed us new ways of living the Gospel,  
We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Mary, Help of Christians, pray for us.

## St Patrick's Day Concert

Monday 17 March,  
Shire Hall

Doors open 6pm  
for 7pm start

Adults \$2.00  
(Children Free)



A grand night of Irish Songs & Dance!  
Everyone Welcome!

## Date Claimer

St Rita's School  
Country Fair (Fete)  
Saturday 31 May 2014  
commencing at 4pm

## Quote

'Unless we believe and see Jesus in the appearance of bread  
on the altar, we will not be able to see him in the distressing  
disguise of the poor.'

*Mother Teresa*

## Light hearted humour

A country preacher decided to skip services one  
Sunday to spend the day hiking in the wilderness.  
Rounding a sharp bend in the trail, he collided with a  
bear and was sent tumbling down a steep grade. He  
landed on a rock and broke both legs.

With the ferocious bear charging at him from a  
distance, the preacher prayed, "O Lord, I'm so sorry for  
skipping services today. Please forgive me and grant  
me just one wish—make a Christian out of that bear  
that's coming at me!"

At that very instant, the bear skidded to a halt, fell  
to his knees, clasped his paws together, and began  
to pray aloud at the preacher's feet: "Dear God,  
please bless this food I am about to receive."

## Catholic Leader—In this issue:

- Homeless man finds home in Catholic Church.
- Pope says Lent is time for 'a turnaround' and to change for the better.
- Brisbane joins world prayer for Egypt

## This Sunday's Texts:

Gen 12:1-4  
2 Tim 1:8-10  
Mt 17:1-9

## Next Sunday's Texts:

Ex 17:3-7  
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8  
Jn 4:5-42

## PLANNED GIVING

Envelopes \$2228.83  
Loose \$424.40



## Church Closing Roster Week commencing

16 March

Peter Dryden

## Church Cleaning Roster - Mourilyan

Sharon Worth

## Altar Linen Roster 17 March

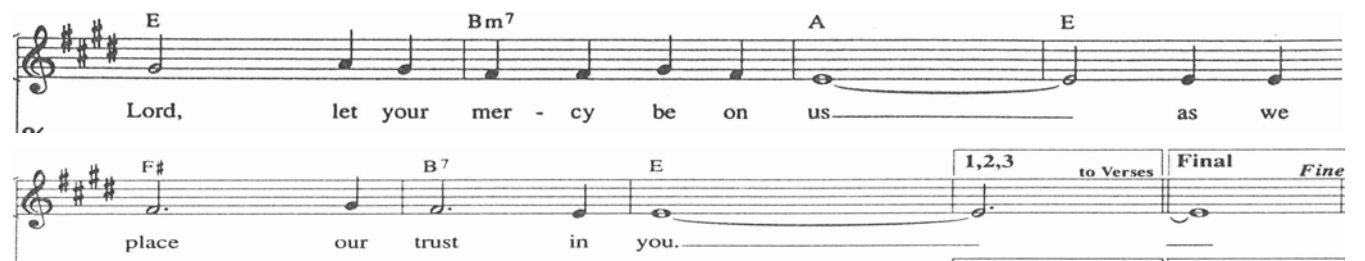
Gail Hogan

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

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

## Responsorial Psalm

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## Recently Deceased

**Rita GRAVA, June RYAN, Merv AH KEE** (Edmonton), **Marianne BOCCA** (Cardwell), **Rosa SCIACCA** (Babinda)

## Anniversaries

Abdon DOOLAN, Robert BLOCK, Filippo TEDESCO, Augustino CARBONI, Maria SAWDY, Salvatore CALTABIANO, Frank ZADELJ, Manus FRIEL, John WALLIS, Maria JONES, Fr James GALWAY OSA, Fr Nicholas McCOY OSA, Fr Michael MIZZI OSA, Fr Thomas JONES, Johann BINDER, Salvatore MOLLA, Mary Rose KING, Michelina GRECH, Sebastiano MARANO, Christopher FISCHER, Fr John FLYNN, Joe CAMENZULI, Laurie BACON, Nazzarina SPITERI, Joseph DeBRINCAT, Maria DeBRINCAT, Orazio LEMURA, Jack GILL, Thomas MURNANE, Salvatore PARISI, Marie DALZIEL, Alfio UCCHINO, Monty BRINCAT, Kate TRESTON, Teresa MORAN, John BOYCON, Virginia PASINETTI

## WEEKDAY MASSES

|                       |                         |                                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>MONDAY 17th</b>    | <b>8.00am Innisfail</b> | <b>ST PATRICK</b>                 |
| <b>TUESDAY 18th</b>   | <b>8.00am Innisfail</b> |                                   |
| <b>WEDNESDAY 19th</b> | <b>8.00am Innisfail</b> | <b>ST JOSEPH, Husband of Mary</b> |
| <b>THURSDAY 20th</b>  | <b>NO MORNING MASS</b>  |                                   |
| <b>FRIDAY 21st</b>    | <b>9.00am Villanova</b> |                                   |
| <b>SATURDAY 22nd</b>  | <b>10.45am Warrina</b>  |                                   |

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

## RECONCILIATION: (Innisfail) Saturday 11.30am

| SUNDAY MASS TIMES & ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 22/23 MARCH |   |                         |                             |                            |
|--|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Week 4<br>22/23 MARCH                              | 6.30pm Sat<br>Innisfail                                   | 7.00am Sun<br>Mourilyan | 7.00am Sun<br>Sth Johnstone | 9.00am Sun<br>Innisfail    |
| <b>COMMENTATOR</b>                                 | M. Todd   | J. Shang                | ////////////////////        | V. Vandeleur               |
| <b>READERS</b>                                     | M. Kerrigan<br>R. Henderson                               | E. Celledoni            | ////////////////////        | J. Ferguson<br>S. Tuttle   |
| <b>CIBORIUM</b>                                    | J. Sultana  | ////////////////////    | ////////////////////        | M. Gangi                   |
| <b>CHALICES</b>                                    | L. Apps<br>V. Calleja<br>L. Calleja<br>St Vincent De Paul | M. Croatto              | ////////////////////        | M. Sorbello<br>A. Sheerans |
| <b>HOSPITALITY</b>                                 | B. Barnett  | R. Bandiera             | ////////////////////        | M. Nolan<br>L. Savage      |
| <b>MUSIC</b>                                       | St Vincent de Paul Choir                                  | ////////////////////    | ////////////////////        | Diana & John               |

### The Adult Catholic

#### Lent and the Word

The Church gives particular prominence to the Word as contained in the Sunday Readings during Lent because of their significance in the faith formation of those preparing for Baptism. It is therefore helpful for all us to have regard to the views of the late Henri Nouwen where he writes: "The Word of God is not a word to apply at some later time in our daily lives; It is a word to heal us through, and in , our listening here and now. It does its divine work as we listen".