



## Mother of Good Counsel Parish

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

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## CHURCH IS A PLACE WHERE SINS CAN BE FORGIVEN



'People frequently ask, "What is the Church?" Today's readings provide foundational images for God's own people. Three motifs characterize the appearance to Thomas: the greeting of peace, a gift of the risen Christ that casts out fear; the presence of the Holy Spirit manifest in the power to forgive and restrain sin; and the need for a faith that grows even without the tangible presence of Christ. Every Christian who envies the Easter experience of Jesus' first followers can pray daily Jesus' words to Thomas, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

(excerpt is from a homily by Fr John R. Donahue, S.J.  
<http://www.chatswoodparish.org.au>)

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

**Tuesday 29 April ~ 4pm - 5pm  
in the Prayer Room, Parish Centre**

### **Pope goes to confession in public**

Pope Francis surprised congregants at a penitential service at St Peter's Basilica in Rome on Friday last week by going to confession in public. His short confession, to one of the many priests on duty in St Peter's, marked the first time a Pope has been photographed receiving the Sacrament of reconciliation in public. Afterwards he went to a confessional and heard confessions from members of the public for about 40 minutes. Pope Francis had just preached at the penitential service, part of an initiative to promote the sacrament called "24 hours for the Lord".

*Liz Dodd THE TABLET 5 April 2014*

**Today we celebrate  
SECOND SUNDAY  
OF EASTER  
(DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)**

### **Weekend Mass Times**

3/4 May 2014

#### **Innisfail**

Saturday Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday 9.00am

#### **South Johnstone**

Sunday 7.00am

## The Pastor's Pen

I tuned in to Q & A on the ABC last Monday evening and after a night of heady questions with equally wordy responses on various media issues, and with regular interjections from the compere Tony Jones, the final question from the audience for all members of the panel to respond to, **was about the relevance of Easter and the Resurrection**, interesting the show was being broadcast on Easter Monday!

Of all five members on the panel not one responded positively and with conviction; two were Catholics, one a former Premier is non-practicing and the other the Editor of a British Newspaper, now is an atheist. Another panel member a social activist is agnostic; the other a renowned Violinist has no religious or spiritual basis, the final member of the panel was Bob Carr, a former Premier of New South Wales and the Foreign Minister of the previous Government and now Author. His comment about the season of Easter echoed his confusion; he wrestles with the reason 'why Jesus had to die' more from a philosophical point of view.

No wonder we had packed Churches over Easter, people came to hear the Good News to hear the story of Salvation retold, to have their faith and convictions reinforced, to receive HOPE.

Praise God, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Fr Kerry



### **Baptisms**

This weekend we welcome **Brianna Dowdall and Bray Puccini** into our Parish community through Baptism.

**Good Friday Collection 2014** - Thank you to everyone who contributed to this collection. **This year our parish contribution amounted to \$869.45.** The Good Friday collection is to assist with the upkeep of the shrines of the Holy Land and for the support of Christians in the homeland of Jesus.

### **Parish Office**

Office Hours for next week are:  
Monday 28 April - Friday 2 May 10am—3pm

### **Words of Wisdom**

'Everything comes from love, all is ordained for the salvation of man, God does nothing without this goal in mind.'  
*St Catherine of Siena*

### **Children's Liturgy**

Next Saturday evening, **3 May 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

### **Mother's Day Morning Tea** *St Rita's School—South Johnstone*

Date: Friday 9 May  
Time: 9.30am  
Venue: St Rita's School,  
South Johnstone



(RSVP ☎ 4064 2153, Wednesday 7 May)



## Thank You



Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU

for supporting Project Compassion. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) to make your donation online.

**Together, we are working towards the creation of the just and compassionate world that God desires.**

Last weekend our contribution to Caritas was \$324.00

Our parish contribution to date is \$4774.45



**Hospitality**  
**St Rita's – South Johnstone**

Welcome EVERYONE – for a happy cuppaaa ... following Mass next Sunday morning. Please bring a plate to share.

Come share, laugh and eat with your Church Community. See you there!



**Emmaus - Come Journey With Us!** is the new launch of the Parish Youth Group. We will be running our next three nights on FELLOWSHIP Yep! just like Lord of the Rings! So expect to see elves and orcs and wizards! Open for those in Year 10 and up we'll be starting again on Thursday 24 April at 7pm. The following nights will be held on 8 May and 22 May (Please note there will be **no** event on 1 & 15 May). We're looking forward to seeing all the young faces in the parish to come along so spread the word!!!

For more information:

Contact: **NET Team** - 0457 740 815  
 or [gccnetteam@gcc.qld.edu.au](mailto:gccnetteam@gcc.qld.edu.au)

**DATE CLAIMER**

**75<sup>th</sup> MARIST ANNIVERSARY DINNER, MASS AND OPENING OF THE LA VALLA CENTRE, GOOD COUNSEL COLLEGE**

**31<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2014 FROM 4PM.**

**DINNER TICKETS AVAILABLE from Good Counsel College Accounts Office.**

**Date Claimer**

**WARRINA INNISFAIL**

**ANNUAL CENT SALE**

**Warrina Hostel**

**3rd May 2014 ~ 2pm start**

**All Welcome!**

**Catholic Leader—In this issue:**

- ◆ Blessed popes John XXIII and John Paul II canonised .
- ◆ Parishes and schools in North Queensland count their blessings after Cyclone Ita.



**Wanted Used Stamps**

Please do not throw your used stamps away! They are sent to the Divine Word Missionaries and the money received from the sale of the stamps is used for the purchase of medical supplies. Please leave some of the paper around the stamp when removing from envelopes or packages. Used stamps can be left at the Parish Centre or given to Jim & Carmel Hitchings.

**This Sunday's Texts:**

Acts 2:42-47  
 1 Pet 1:3-9  
 Jn 20:19-31

**Next Sunday's Texts:**

Acts 2:14, 22-33  
 1 Pet 1:17-21  
 Lk 24:13-35

**Church Closing Roster**  
**Week commencing**

**27 April**

Vince McAvoy

**Church Cleaning Roster - Mourilyan**

Sharon Worth

**Altar Linen Roster**  
**28 April**

June Sue Yek

**PLANNED GIVING**

Envelopes \$2584.23

Loose \$1184.85

**SEEKING WORK**

We have a new parishioner, a family man who is seeking work in Innisfail. He has qualifications with a Diploma in Draughtsman Civil course and Auto Cad (Computer Drawings/ Sketching etc) and in excess of 7 years experience in Construction designing. He has also worked for 10 years as a Sales Manager in the Textile Industry. He is willing to consider any offers of work.

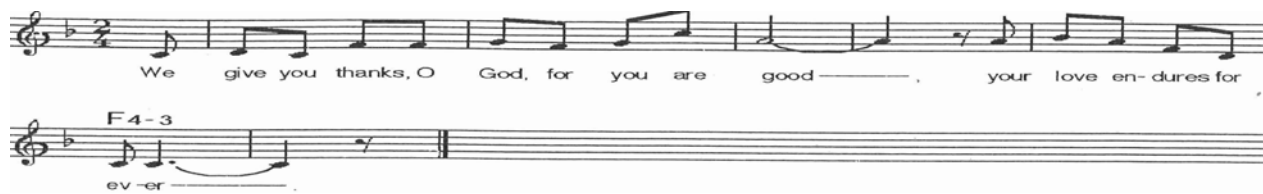
Please contact: Anthony George Mobile 0469578522 or e-mail: [antonygeorge69@outlook.com](mailto:antonygeorge69@outlook.com)

**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

**Charles McARTHUR, Myrtle Davey, Rosaria PENNISI** (Tully)

## Anniversaries

Maria UGARTE, Edward RYAN, Henry O'BRIEN, Salvatore PAGANO, Joe CAMUGLIA, Carlo CAVASIN, Jan DEMBOWSKI, Philip VACCARO, Frank BRINCAT, Ernest TRELOAR, John HORE, Vida NELSON, Dema AGLI, Hope TAYLOR, Tony STRAATMAN, Nina BOOTHBY, Alex BLACK, Sr. Pilar LUCERO A.R., Fr Daniel ORMONDE OSA, Catalina SAEZ, Patrick BAXTER, Antonio PUCCINI, Victor CISCATO, Rosaria CATANIA, Henry NOONE, Martin ZARINS, Mena FALLON, Antonia MARTINEZ, Harry ARCHER, John MAMO, George CARDONA, Roy CROFT, Michael MURPHY, Stella BALZAN, Fr Thomas CAHILL

## WEEKDAY MASSES

<b>MONDAY 28th</b>	<b>8.00am Innisfail</b>	<b>St Peter Chanel</b>
<b>TUESDAY 29th</b>	<b>8.00am Innisfail</b>	<b>St Catherine of Siena</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 30th</b>	<b>8.00am Innisfail</b>	
<b>THURSDAY 1st</b>	<b>NO MORNING MASS</b>	
<b>FRIDAY 2nd</b>	<b>9.00am Villanova</b>	<b>St Athanasius</b>
<b>SATURDAY 3rd</b>	<b>10.45am Warrina</b>	<b>Sts Philip &amp; James</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 3/4 MAY

Week 1 3/4 MAY	6.30pm Sat Innisfail	7.00am Sun Mourilyan	7.00am Sun Sth Johnstone	9.00am Sun Innisfail
<b>COMMENTATOR</b>	S. Todd	////////////////////	J. Micallef	B. Bortolanza
<b>READERS</b>	M. Todd M. Treston	////////////////////	N. Smith P. Arnold	Simon Cristaudo Sinead Cristaudo
<b>CIBORIUM</b>	A. Amatt	////////////////////	////////////////////	P. Renneberg
<b>CHALICES</b>	J. Said L. Lanzafame L. Catalano C. Catalano	////////////////////	I. Massa L. Massa	S. Lynch M. Hogan J. Terry S. Terry
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	B. Barnett	////////////////////	E. Sumich	M. Nolan, S. Hoad B. Barnett
<b>MUSIC</b>	Silkwood Duo	////////////////////	////////////////////	Youth Group

### The Adult Catholic

#### The Resurrection and us.

Essential, then, is the fact that Jesus' Resurrection was not just about a deceased individual coming back to life, but that an ontological (ontology is the study of being) leap occurred, one that touches being as such, opening up a dimension that affects us all, creating for all of us a new space of life, a new space of being in union with God. Although the Resurrection is an historical event, it differs from the historical events of Jesus birth and crucifixion because it opens a new space that breaks out of and transcends history.

*Adapted from "Jesus of Nazareth" by Pope Emeritus Benedict.*