



Mother of Good Counsel Parish

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

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Conversion is paramount

'The parables of the treasure in the field and the pearl of great price emphasise this need for conversion. Identification with the ways of God that shape the Kingdom must be unconditional. In our Australian land, buried treasure is the stuff of fairy tales; but in Palestine, with its long history of kingdoms and empires, the possibility of finding a treasure trove was real. And if this happened, the treasure belonged to the owner of the site. One who had such a stoke of good fortune, Jesus says, would do all that he could to buy the field - and in a similar way, no other allegiance will rule the life of one who has found the joy of letting God's word and God's ways to be the measure of his or her

life. The pearl for which the merchant sells everything has the same lesson. For ancient peoples, a pearl was the loveliest of possessions. The merchant of the parable will do whatever is necessary to acquire the pearl he has found that is without compare. This does not mean that he saw no beauty and value in the other pearls that he came across. Our choice of the values of the Kingdom does not mean that we should despise other worthy causes. The parable teaches us, however, that identifying with the Kingdom announced by Jesus means getting our priorities right.'

(From a homily by Fr John Thornhill)

**SEVENTEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**

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

Weekend Mass Times

2/3 August 2014

Innisfail

Saturday Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday 9.00am

South Johnstone

Sunday 7.00am

Catholic Education Week (27 July - 2 August, 2014)

The theme for this year's celebrations is: *Come, live life in all its fullness.*

This inspirational call is based on the Gospel of John (10:10), challenging those who answer it to "live fully".



The Pastor's Pen

I was in Brisbane on Friday to preside at the Funeral Mass of my Aunty, Joan Callaghan. **Aunty Joan** lived for 93 years and was the last of eleven daughters with one surviving brother. Reared in the country of Irish Catholic parents, faith and the church always played a pivotal role in her life.

When church-going became physically impossible, she would record Sunday TV Mass and then proceeded to replay the Mass every day of the week, if one phoned when Mass was on, you were told politely, "I'm at Mass". We often joked that at the end of the week, **Aunty Joan** could well give the homily!

Severing the tie with **Aunty Joan** for all nephews and nieces was a re-visit to each of our own Mother's passing, truly I could say to **Aunty Joan's** five children your Mother was our Matriarch, she shared herself generously with all of the O'Connor clan.

Fr Kerry

Parish Office



Southern Deanery Catholic Women's Mass & Luncheon

Wednesday 13 August @ 10.30am

An invitation is extended to all Catholic Women of the Diocese to attend a Mass to be celebrated at Mother of Good Counsel Church, Rankin Street, Innisfail at 10.30am.

A cuppa will be served before Mass and the **Luncheon** will follow at 12noon at the Imperial Tavern 42 Fitzgerald Esplanade, Innisfail. Cost: \$25.

Please reply to the Parish Office by Monday 4th August. Phone 4061 6633

Reminder

The first meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will be held on Monday 4 August at 5.15pm in the Parish Centre.

Memorial Mass Fr Peter Mc Hugh OSA

Month's Mind ~ There will be a Mass for Fr Peter at St Rita's South Johnstone, on Thursday 7th August 2014 at 7pm. All welcome!

St Vincent De Paul

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

Children's Liturgy

Next Saturday evening, **2 August 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

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!



Baptisms



Breakthrough 2014

This year's *Breakthrough - Catholic Youth Festival* will be held on 22nd, 23rd, 24th August at the *Genazzano* Conference Centre. The festival promises to be a dynamic experience of faith for 18-30 yr. olds.



Registrations are now open.

breakthroughyouthfestival.weebly.com
by 15 August. \$220

Registration includes accommodation and Saturday and Sunday meals. For more info, contact Anne Chellingworth, (Diocesan Youth Ministry Coordinator) at 0407 716 430 or email achellingw@cns.catholic.edu.au.

KRAZY KRITTERS



Emmaus

Come Journey With Us! Open for those in Year 10 and up. We meet in the Parish Centre from 7pm - 9pm each Thursday evening.

Our next gathering will be on
Thursday 31 July.

For more information:

Contact: **NET Team** - 0457 740 815
or gccnetteam@gcc.qld.edu.au

Catholic Leader

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- ◆ 'Oceans divide, faith unites' - Archbishop Coleridge encounters new experience of Church in Nigeria
- ◆ Catholic Education Week 2014
- ◆ Flight tragedy hits home for Caritas priest at AIDS conference in Melbourne.

Fatima Day - Saturday 1 August Mercy Valley, 27 Spena Road

9am Exposition, Holy Hour, Confessions

10am Holy Mass followed by
Eucharistic/Rosary Procession to the Grotto of Our Lady of Fatima.
Prayer of Consecration of the Families to Our Lady.
Benediction and Blessing

ALL ARE INVITED
and **BRING ALONG A FRIEND**
(Please bring an umbrella for the sun).

This Sunday's

Texts:

1 Kg 3:5, 7-12
Rom 8:28-30
Mt 13:44-52

Next Sunday's

Texts:

Is 55:1-3
Rom 8:35, 37-39
Mt 14:13-21

Church Closing Roster Week commencing

27 July
John Guli

Church Cleaning Roster - Mourilyan

Mary Rose Lissa

Altar Linen Roster **28 July**

June Sue Yek

Words of Wisdom

'The Eucharist, although it is the fullness of sacramental life is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.'

Pope Francis, from Evangelii Gaudium

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

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| 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

Joan Callaghan (Brisbane - Fr Kerry's Aunt), **Michael Andrew KEHOE** (Cairns)

Anniversaries

Thomas GILMOUR, Sam ABELA, Angela DALTON, Hannah McLEISH, Ken HOULIHAN, Joe KELLY, Fr Dominic FOGARTY OSA, Fr Antonio DAL BELLO CS, Maria BRINCAT, Violet GISBSON, Archibaldo SUMIDO Snr, Bill RAFFLES, Constance TIERNEY, Joseph GRECH, John WARWICK, Laurence BREEN, Leisa PATERSON & Baby Aden, Con KELLY, Alfio FICHERA, Maria MICALE, Giuseppina REA, Rosalinde LOMG HONG, Monica ERNST, Margaret RULE, Tim CASEY, Emilia SORDELLI, Sr. Ivy WELCH IBVM, Annie MADDEN, Michael McNAMEE JNR, Richardo POSAR, Carmelina LIZZIO, Maria SALVESTRO, Venerando DI SALVO, Edwin SHAW, Joseph GUARRERA, Wally ERCEG, Bill BROWN

WEEKDAY MASSES

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| MONDAY 28th | 8.00am Innisfail | |
| TUESDAY 29th | 8.00am Innisfail | St Martha |
| WEDNESDAY 30th | 8.00am Innisfail | |
| THURSDAY 31st | NO MORNING MASS | St Ignatius of Loyola |
| FRIDAY 1st | 9.00am Villanova | St Alphonsus Liguori |
| SATURDAY 2nd | 10.45am Warrina | |



RECONCILIATION (Innisfail) Saturday 11.30am

SUNDAY MASS TIMES & ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 2/3 AUGUST

| Week 1 2/3 AUGUST | 6.30pm Sat Innisfail | 7.00am Sun Mourilyan | 7.00am Sun Sth Johnstone | 9.00am Sun Innisfail |
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| COMMENTATOR | S. Todd | //////////////////// | N. Smith | B. Bortolanza |
| READERS | M. Todd M. Treston | //////////////////// | I. Massa L. Massa | Leigha Clark Sinead Cristaudo |
| 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 | //////////////////// | D. Dalla Vecchia | M. Nolan, S. Hoad |
| MUSIC | Silkwood Duo | //////////////////// | //////////////////// | Youth Group |

In the fourteen letters of St. Paul the phrase "In Christ" appears 164 times. For Paul this phrase contained the meaning of time, the explanation of history and ever remains the focal point of the universe. God made the world and all that is in it for Christ. The Father loves the world only "in Christ Jesus and the world returns the Father's love only " through Christ Jesus". He is the centre of reality, the Alpha and Omega of human existence. If I ask myself "why do I exist?" Paul says I must answer "for the sake of Jesus Christ".

(Adapted from "Prophets and Lovers" by Brennan Manning .)

PLANNED GIVING: Envelopes \$2481.17; Loose \$486.55