



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

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James Roberts (Principal)

Good Counsel Primary
96 Rankin St, Innisfail

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Liam Kenny (Principal)

St Rita's Primary
8 Green St, South Johnstone

Ph:(07) 40642153
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Vicki Conomo (Principal)

St Rita's Primary
7-13 Church St, Babinda

Ph:(07) 40671467
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Judy Billiau (Principal)

THEY LEFT EVERYTHING AND FOLLOWED HIM.

The theme that comes through this week's readings is one of 'being called'. The first reading is the call of the prophet Isaiah (Is 6:1-8). Isaiah experiences a vision of the glory of God and is humbly reminded of his own deficiencies: he believes himself to be 'a man of unclean lips'. As such, he is certainly unfit to speak on behalf of God as his unclean lips would taint whatever message he may speak. But his lips are cleansed by God who then asks, 'Whom shall I send?' Demonstrating a complete conversion of heart and mind, Isaiah immediately replies, 'Here I am, send me!'

This first reading provides a perfect balance to the gospel. Jesus is being closely pressed by the crowd when he asks a nearby fisherman to take him just off shore to preach without being overwhelmed by the crowd. Seemingly at random, he has selected the boat of the fisherman Peter. Having finished preaching for the day, Jesus tells Peter to set out into deeper water and pay out his fishing nets. Peter is certainly not keen on the idea! Out of some interest or good nature he had agreed to allow this preacher to use his boat for a while, but now this country bumpkin is trying to tell him how to fish! Just to prove Jesus wrong, Peter agrees to go through the futile exercise and is overwhelmed by the enormous catch of fish. Like Isaiah in the first reading, Peter is suddenly acutely aware of his own deficiencies – 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man'. Like Isaiah, he recognises that he has just seen the glory of God revealed and he feels unworthy to be part of the experience. But Jesus reassures him, 'Do not be afraid,' and calls Peter to follow.



Living the Gospel – Hearing the Call

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5th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

The Pastor's Pen

We are now several months down the track since the introduction of the Screens in Mother of Good Counsel Church. At first there was scepticism, a first, we have a unique house of prayer now restored and back to its best no one would want to interfere with the ascetics and beauty of our parish church. Since their inception it has been a learning curve, like anything new, the ingredients of time and experience needed to be put into practice, for the operators and for the congregation.

The aim from the outset was to utilize technology for the purpose of **participation**; good Liturgical Renewal encourages **full, conscious and active participation in the Liturgy** and I am relatively pleased that we have achieved a good amount 'on the way'. More worshippers are announcing the responses, praying aloud and singing with full gusto, as St Augustine said: "when you sing, you pray double" and to sing, it has the capacity to become infectious, my sense is most are becoming affected in a good way.

I am conscious of the work required behind the scenes in preparing the slides, it is time consuming and is a collaborative ministry, thank you to all, I know you wish to open this ministry to others and my hope would be that we do end up with a Team Ministry for preparation and presentation of the weekend Liturgies.

Thank you to all who have embraced this initiative of the Pastoral Council as we strive to utilise our gifts and talents in giving God praise. Fr Kerry

Parish Office

Office Hours for next week are:

Monday 8 February 12 noon - 5pm
Tuesday 9 February, Wednesday 10 February,
Thursday 11 February, Friday 12 February
10am - 3pm

Fr Nathan

Fr Nathan will celebrate Mass at Silkwood, El Arish and South Johnstone this weekend.

"Laudato Si"

Twilight Session on "Laudato Si" an Encyclical Letter on Ecology and Climate by Pope Francis:

Guest Presenter Fr John Chalmers, Venue Mother of Good Counsel Parish Centre, **Monday 8th February from 6.30pm - 8.30pm.**

Annual Holidays

Fr Kerry leaves for his annual holidays after Masses this weekend, he returns on Friday March 11th. In his absence Fr Nathan will be looking after the Parish.

Project Compassion Envelopes

Lenten Share Packs (Envelopes) will be distributed at each of the Masses this weekend. Please come forward after the Homily to collect your envelopes. A **second collection** will be taken up at all Masses for the Lenten Season, **commencing next weekend.**

10 February

8.00am Mass ~ Mother of Good Counsel Church, Innisfail

Blessing & distribution of Ashes
(Day of Fast & Abstinence)

ASHES CEREMONY
Good Counsel Primary
(Church)

9am (Prep - 2, Yr 11); & 10am (Yrs 3 - 6)

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(ASHES CEREMONY)

7.00pm
Mother of Good Counsel Church
Rankin Street

Please bring a plate to share for supper!

Project Compassion Sunday

Please support Caritas Australia this Lenten season as we celebrate 50 years of Project Compassion.



In Pope Francis' words,
"Lent is a time for drawing near to Christ,"

You will be helping to empower the world's poorest children, women and men with vital learning and renewed hope.

Please give generously to the appeal this Lent.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday 9 February ~ 4pm - 5pm
in the Prayer Room, Parish Centre

Ignatian Prayer Group

The Ignatian Prayer Group meeting will next meet on **Tuesday afternoon 9 February at 5.30pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. All are welcome.

Expressions of Interest

Lenten Groups:

Susan Hoad & Paul Erbacher

Parish Centre - Thursday 5.30pm - 7pm
Commencing Thursday 11th February

Diana O'Brien & Jim Ferguson

Parish Centre - Monday 3.30pm - 5pm
Commencing Monday 15th February

If anyone else is interested in leading or being a part of one of the Lenten Groups listed please register your name and contact phone number on the clipboards provided in the Church. If joining one of the groups listed please indicate which group you will be attending.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the cross will be held each Friday evening during Lent beginning **Friday 12th February commencing at 7:00pm at St Alban's Church, Rankin Street, Innisfail.** We look forward to sharing these special times with you again.

Ways to Be Merciful During the Jubilee Year of Mercy

- ◆ Make a meal (or buy a gift certificate) for a mom who's just given birth or adopted a child, or for someone who's just gone through a loss.
- ◆ Hold. Your. Tongue.
- ◆ Offer to run and errand (groceries, dry cleaning pick up, dog-walking) for a busy parent or homebound person.

Church & Toilet Closing Roster <i>Week commencing 6 February</i> Jim Arnell	Church Cleaning Roster - Mourilyan Mary Rose Lissa	Altar Linen Roster 8 February Mary Mizzi
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Catholic Leader

In this issue:

- ◆ Heroin addict Rory Norris tells the story of how drugs nearly destroyed his life and how he is fighting back.
- ◆ Find out what two young men did to win the Young Australians of the Year award.
- ◆ Pope Francis wants you to live your faith through works of mercy in Lent.

Hospitality

Mother of Good Counsel - Innisfail

Welcome EVERYONE - for a happy cupppaaa ... following Mass next Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Please bring a plate to share.

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



Wedding Anniversary

Gae and Rita Manitto celebrated 50 years of marriage on 5th February 2016. We congratulate and wish them well.



Baptism

This weekend we welcome **Stefanie Sambo** into our Parish community through Baptism.

Sacramental Program 2016

REMINDER - Enrolments forms are now available for the Sacramental Program for 2016. If you have a child who has been baptised Catholic and will be in Year 4 this year (or an older grade) then please contact Angie at the Parish Office on 40616633 or drop in to collect your enrolment form.

The Sacramental Program includes the Sacraments of Reconciliation, the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Sacrament of Eucharist.

Lisa DeBuck
Sacramental Coordinator.



This Sunday's Texts: Is 6:1-8 1 Cor 15:1-11 Lk 5:1-11	Next Sunday's Texts: Deut 26:4-10 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13
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PLANNED GIVING: Envelopes \$3383.46 Loose \$496.25

Responsorial Psalm

Antiphon:



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Gospel Acclamation Verse: Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people.

Recently Deceased

Ailsa MOYLE

Anniversaries

Violet McDONNELL, Lournna CROFT, Catherine & Richard QUINN, Vittorio GRIMAZ, Faye KENNY, Marie KENNY, Erin JOY, Maria DELLA POZZA, Teresa AGLI, John ter RAHE, Rosaria DOVICO, Prima ROMANO, Neil BLENNERHASSETT, Baby Stephen BLENNERHASSETT, Evelyn STEWART, Beryl SCULLEN, Angelo GELSI, Eloy UGARTE, Jill LODGE, Michael, Bernard & Catherine HORE, Barbara DAY, Giuseppe CATALAN, Eric NELSON, Onofrio BUFI, Giuseppe SORBELLO, Jose B ALONSO, Fr Thomas HOYNE OSA, Fr Patrick LARKIN OSA, Catherine CINI, James DAWSON, Domenico LAGANA, Bruno PENSINI, Vicki CALTABIANO, Fr Dominic NOLAN OSA, Fr Francis KOWALSKI SVD, Salvatore CATALANO, Thomas BRENNAN, Les WINTERS, Nicolina ROTONDO, Robert STACK, James MULLINS, Giuseppina MELLINI, Leonardo BASILE, Ted NOSWORTHY, Karen PERKS, Aileen FAITHFULL, Mary RALEIGH, Bishop James MURRAY OSA

WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY 8th	8.00am Innisfail	
TUESDAY 9th	8.00am Innisfail	
WEDNESDAY 10th	8.00am Innisfail	ASH WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY 11th	NO MORNING MASS	
FRIDAY 12th	9.00am Villanova	
SATURDAY 13th	10.45am Warrina	

RECONCILIATION: (Innisfail) Saturday 11.30am

SUNDAY MASS TIMES & ROSTER FOR WEEKEND 13/14 February 2016				
Week 2 13/14 FEBRUARY	6.30pm Sat Innisfail	7.00am Sun Mourilyan	7.00am Sun Sth Johnstone	9.00am Sun Innisfail
COMMENTATOR	P. Bryan	J. Arnell	////////////////	R. Basaglia
READERS	Youth Minister P. Dryden	J. Shang	////////////////	B. Bortolanza C. Basaglia
CIBORIUM	L. Calleja	////////////////	////////////////	A. Sheerans
CHALICES	V. Calleja A. Campagnolo V. Bimrose	J. Arnell	////////////////	M. Carboni M. Gangi S. Hoad
HOSPITALITY	B. Barnett	L. Croatto	////////////////	M. Nolan
MUSIC	Volunteer please	////////////////	////////////////	Diana & Vince

Social Justice Diary

8th February: St Josephine Bakhita
Chinese New Year

10th February: **Ash Wednesday**

11th February: *World Day of Prayer for the Sick*
1990: Nelson Mandela released from prison

12th February: 1965: Commencement of the Freedom Ride in Australia
2005: Sr. Dorothy Stang murdered in Brazil because she had put into place programs that created self-sufficient communities of people committed to their own independence as well as to the sustenance of the rain forest.