Dear Parishioners,

On May 13 our parish will be participating in the OzRosary#53 nationwide prayer for Australia, its protection, its future and its youth. The prayer of the rosary for these intentions will take place following the 9am Mass, for which I will endeavour to be present in order to lead. We will need to begin promptly at 10.30am, in order to ensure that the church is free for the 11am baptisms.

I would like to encourage as many from our parish as possible to consider joining this important moment of prayer for our country, in solidarity with our brethren in the faith throughout Australia. There are many troubling realities which give cause for concern in the life of our nation. Prayer is the best way to begin asking from God, through the intercession of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia, the strength we need to play our part in ensuring that this Great South Land of the Holy Spirit might be what it is destined to be.

In Christ,
Fr Scot Anthony Armstrong

Join us ...

Oz Rosary #53
to pray for Australia

Join us on 13th May 2018 to PRAY FOR AUSTRALIA, ITS PROTECTION, FUTURE AND YOUTH. The number 53 represents the 53 Hail Marys in the Rosary. We will be praying the Rosary at 10:30am (following 9:00am Mass) on Sunday, 13th May, at Mary Immaculate Church. For further details, please contact Steve Glover on 0435 465 402.

Participation in Oz Rosary #53 is an initiative of the Legion of Mary in our Parish.

Sacramental Program

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES 2018
- Saturday 2 June - 5.30pm Vigil at St John Fisher
- Sunday 3 June - 8.30am at St John Fisher
- Sunday 3 June - 5pm at Mary Immaculate

Children who received the Sacraments of Penance and Confirmation in 2017 will be making their First Holy Communion at parish Masses on Saturday 2 June 5:30pm at the Vigil Mass or the 8.30am Sunday Mass at St John Fisher church; and the Sunday June 3 Mass at 5:00pm at Mary Immaculate church. The preparation sessions are currently underway on Thursdays at 4pm at St Elizabeth’s Catholic Primary School.

Let us publicly honour our Lord through the city streets. For information regarding parish bus timetables, to donate, or to watch a livestream of the procession, please visit the website. Please phone 0412 802 122 for further details.
Over the next few months, the Brothers of the Oratory will begin returning on Sunday 6th and Monday 7th June for their mid-year break from studies in less than two weeks. It will be great to have the whole community at home in Annerley for a few months. We are planning our next Musical Oratory for Tuesday 22nd June. More details to follow. Saint Philip Neri’s feast day falls on Saturday 26th July. On this day we will commence monthly blessings with Saint Philip’s relic, which will take place immediately after the Saturday morning Mass on the last Saturday of each month. On the evening of May 26th we’ll celebrate a Solemn High Mass at 7:00pm, followed by supper in the hall. On Monday 9th July Archbishop Coleridge will visit and celebrate the 7:00pm Mass, during which he will institute Brothers Tyson King, Conor Power and Matthew Buckley. Visit of Archbishop Coleridge for Mass & the Institution to the Ministry of Acolyte for Brothers Tyson King, Conor Power and Matthew Buckley.

Parish Date Claimers

**Monday 14th May**  Elizabethan Social Club Bus Trip to Maleny. Cost $50, all inclusive. Bus departs SJF at 8:30am. Bookings Philomena on 3349 2809 or Joan on 3848 3251.

**Monday 14th May**  Josephites Association Meeting at Majellain House, Yeerongpilly, at 10:00am. For further information, please contact Jay on 3848 8923 or Clair on 3848 3998.

**Saturday 19th May**  Baptism Preparation for Parents at 9:00am in MI Music Room. Please phone the Parish Office to book.

**Saturday 26th May**  Feast of St Philip Neri. 7:00pm Solemn High Mass, followed by supper in the hall.

**Monday 9th July**  Visit of Archbishop Coleridge for Mass & the Institution to the Ministry of Acolyte for Brothers Tyson King, Conor Power and Matthew Buckley.

**Saturday 28th July**  The Oratory’s 3rd Anniversary Dinner & Dance at Riverside Receptions, New Farm at 6:30pm.

**Wednesday 8th August**  Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross. Solemn High Mass at 5:30pm.

**Reflection**

We must not give up praying and asking because we do not get what we ask all at once. Saint Philip Neri

One should avoid haste. You should treat your affairs with care, but never with hurry or worry. Don't rush to your tasks because any haste upsets your reason and judgment and even prevents you from doing well the very thing you are hurrying to do. When Our Lord reproved Martha, He said to her: 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and upset over many things.' You see, if she had simply been caring, she would hardly have been troubled; but because she was worried and anxious, she became hurried and upset. Accept with peace all the tasks that come to you and try to accomplish them in order, one after the other. (St Francis de Sales) from Searching For and Maintaining Peace, by Jacques Philippe (Sceptre, New York, 2002)

**LEGION OF MARY**

**Tuesday Rosary:** On Tuesday 8th of May, the Holy Rosary is recited for children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion and their families through the intercession of Our Lady Help of Christians. It begins 10 minutes after the 7am Mass in Mary Immaculate Church. All welcome. Enquiries: Legion of Mary on 0421 258 418 (Bill).

**Our Lady’s Gift to inactive Catholics:** Over the next few months, the Legion of Mary will place a basket marked "Our Lady's Gift to Inactive Catholics" on the table at the back of Mary Immaculate Church and St John Fisher Church. The basket contains little yellow cards, each of which has Parish details and Mass & Confession times, with a Miraculous Medal attached. Please take one and give it to someone you know, who has fallen away from practice of the faith.

Copies of the latest Oratory newsletter are now available in the churches. You can subscribe to the email version of this newsletter at http://brisbane-oratory.org/. We have a number of events in the coming months which we warmly invite you to participate in. The Brothers of the Oratory will begin returning on their mid-year break from studies in less than two weeks. It will be great to have the whole community at home in Annerley for a few months. We are planning our next Musical Oratory for Tuesday 22nd May. More details to follow. Saint Philip Neri’s feast day falls on Saturday 26th May. On this day we will commence monthly blessings with Saint Philip’s relic, which will take place immediately after the Saturday morning Mass on the last Saturday of each month. On the evening of May 26th we’ll celebrate a Solemn High Mass at 7:00pm, followed by supper in the hall. On Monday 9th July Archbishop Coleridge will visit and celebrate the 7:00pm Mass, during which he will institute Brothers Tyson, Conor and Matthew as acolytes (Brother Shawn having been instituted last year). This is another important step on the Brothers’ progress towards priestly ordination. On Saturday 28th July at 6:30pm we will have our major social and fundraising event for the year, a dinner and dance at Riverside Receptions at New Farm. Tickets can now be purchased at the early-bird price at www.trybooking.com/VHTB. This month’s newsletter also has a piece from Brother Conor as he reflects on concluding his philosophy studies and time at the Toronto Oratory. We thank all our parishioners and friends for your continued support as we work to establish Australia’s first Congregation of the Oratory.

Father Adrian Sharp
Moderator

**WE PRAY FOR:** Those who are recently deceased.

**Those who are sick:** Luke ADENEY, Ksenia BORODIN, Rex BOWEN, Joan BRAMMER, Ted BUTTERWORTH, Duncan CARSTENS, Sylvia DELUCA, Shannon EMSLIE, Jane FARRELL, Bryan FITZPATRICK, Joan FLEW, Anne FRANETTOVICH, Owen GAIR, Vilma GHOUSE, Bob GILLESPIE, Bronte GREER, Marlene JOHNSTON, Aroha MCCORMACK, Marie MITCHELL, Bernie O’HARA, Valerie ORTON, Milla PICKARD, Ron ROFE, Joan ROONEY, Rosa Maria SANTOS, Matt VASIL, Josephine & Bill WRIGHT and Matthew ZEMEK.

All the faithful departed.

For the Intentions of: Rex BOWEN on the occasion of his 83rd Birthday.
**Rosters for next week**

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**
- Sat (SJF) 5:30pm: Barbara Nicolaides
- Sun (MI) 7:30am: Ann Fell
- Sun (SJF) 8:30am: Peter Menagh
- Sun (MI) 5:00pm: Pat Rickard, Andrew Carney

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**
- Sat (SJF) 5:30pm: Bert Jacobs, John Lesina, Prem Nair
- Sun (MI) 7:30am: Bertha Clark, Joan Coghlan, Paul Coghlan, Charles Grugan, Kathleen Grugan

**COUNTERS**
- Monday, 7th May, 2018: Clem Poncini, Bernie O’Hara

**CHURCH CARE**
- Sacrist (SJF): Maria Monro
- Sanctuary & Sacrist (MI): Mabel Saah
- Laundry (SJF): Rebecca Birkett
- Laundry (MI): Mabel Saah

**St Vincent de Paul Society**
- Mass for the Four Intentions - the Church, the Pope, Australia and the Society - will be celebrated at 6:30am on Friday, 11th May at St Elizabeth’s Chapel, Tarragindi.

**Please note: The feast of the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated in the extraordinary form this Thursday 10th May, 7:30pm at MI. In the ordinary form it is transferred to the weekend of 13/14 May.**

**PLEASE NOTE** - Changes this week:
- Exposition at SE on Thursday, 10th May will begin at 9:00pm.
- Ascension Mass in EF Thursday 7.30pm, MI.

There will be sung Vespers [EF] at 4:00pm on Sunday, 13th May at MI.

**St Gregory’s Latin Mass Community:**
- Fourth Sunday After Easter, Wilston 7:30am

**MASS INTENTIONS**
- **Saturday, 5th May, Private:** For a special intention
- 5:30pm Vigil at MI: For the repose of the soul of Maureen O’Rourke, anniversary of birth
- 5:30pm Vigil at SJF: Mass for the People ‘pro populo’
- **Sunday, 6th May, 7:30am Mass, Wilston:** For the seminarians of the Brisbane Oratory in Formation, and for Oratorian vocations; also for the Pope and the Bishops
- 8:30am Mass at SJF: For the Bergin Family
- 5:00pm Mass at MI: For the intentions of Janice Letec
- **Monday, 7th May, 6:30am Mass at SE:** For the Holy Souls in purgatory
- 7:00pm Mass at MI:
  - For Frassati groups and their members
  - **Tuesday, 8th May, Private:** For Notre Dame Priory (Tasmania), for Angelorum College, and the other intentions of the donor
  - 9:00am Mass at MI: For the repose of the soul of Regidor L. Avellanoza
  - **Wednesday, 9th May, 6:30am Mass at SJF:**
  - For the repose of the soul of Joanne Maddalena Meissner, anniversary
  - 9:00am Mass at MI:
  - For the intentions of Natalie Phayer

**Parish Diary & Mass Times: 7th - 13th May**

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**The Ascension of the Lord**
- 5:30pm Vigil [EF] at SJF
- 5:30pm Vigil [OF+] at MI

**Sunday 13th May**
- 7:30am Mass [OF] at MI
- 8:30am Mass [OF] at SJF
- 9:00am Mass [EF] at MI
- 4:00pm Sung Vespers [EF] at MI
- 5:00pm Mass [OF+] at MI

**CONFESION TIMES:**
- Mon 6:45pm (MI)
- Wed 9:40am - 10:00am (MI)
- Thu 9:40am - 10:00am (MI)
- Fri 9:40am - 10:00am (MI)
- 7:30pm - 8:30pm (MI) During Holy Hour
- Sat 7:15am - 8:00am (MI)
- Sat 4:45pm - 5:15pm (MI)
- Sat 5:15pm by request (SJF)
- Sun During 9:00am Mass where possible (MI)

* The Angelus and the Rosary are prayed half an hour before the early weekday Masses, at SE & SJF.
* All night Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Thursday at SE beginning at 6:00pm and ending at 6:45am on Fridays.
* Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Saturdays from 7:15am - 8:00am at MI Church.
* Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 9.40am to 11.30am on every First Friday at Mary Immaculate Church.
* The Holy Rosary is prayed at Mary Immaculate after the 7am Mass on Tuesdays, at 7.30am on Saturdays and after the 8.15am Mass on every First Saturday.

**Thursday, 10th May, 7:00am Mass at MI:**
- For Father Brian Cooper, recently deceased; also for all the sick, and for a special intention

**8:15am Mass at SJF:**
- For the Holy Souls in purgatory

**Friday, 11th May, Private:**
- For the Holy Souls in purgatory
- 9:00am Mass at MI: For the intentions of Natalie Phayer

**Saturday, 12th May, Private:**
- For a special intention

**8:15am Mass at MI:**
- For Mathew Thomas
- 5:30pm Vigil at SJF: Mass for the People ‘Pro populo’

**Sunday, 13th May, 8:30am Mass at SJF:**
- For the Holy Souls in purgatory
- **5:00pm Mass at MI:** For the Pope and the Bishops
Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year B: 5th/6th May, 2018

MASS READINGS
First Reading: Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48
And as Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself.
But Peter helped him up. ‘Stand up,’ he said ‘I am only a man after all!’ Then Peter addressed them: ‘The truth I have now come to realise’ he said ‘is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.’ While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, ‘Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?’ He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The Word of the Lord
Response: Thanks be to God
Responsorial Psalm 97
(Said by all)
Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation.
The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth
and love for the house of Israel.
All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord all the earth,
ring out your joy.

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10
My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.
Any one who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

The Word of the Lord
Response: Thanks be to God
Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, Alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!
Gospel: John 15:9-17
Jesus said to his disciples: ‘As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.’
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
Memorial Acclamation: Number Three
Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

The Catholic Inquiry Group is currently in recess. Please contact Teresa on 0413 763 256 for more information on further offerings of this important introduction to and formation for the sacraments for adults.


COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND: $2,445.25
ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS AVERAGE FOR WEEK: $1,856.54. Thank you from a grateful Parish.

ARE YOU A NEW PARISHIONER?
OR ARE YOU FROM ELSEWHERE IN BRISBANE BUT REGULARLY ATTEND MASS HERE AND WOULD LIKE TO BE REGISTERED AS A FRIEND OF THE BRISBANE ORATORY? If so, please fill in the form below and place it on the collection plate or mail to our Parish Office:
P.O. Box 3131, Tarragindi. 4121.

□ I am a new parishioner
□ I am from elsewhere but would like to be registered as a friend of the Brisbane Oratory

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