Dear Parishioners,

This coming Wednesday, August 15, we celebrate the solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, Mother of God, soul and body into heaven. Please remember that it is a holy day of obligation.

Mass times are:
- 7:00am [OF] St John Fisher, Tarragindi
- 6:00pm [OF] Mary Immaculate, Annerley
- 7.30pm [EF] Mary Immaculate, Annerley

As you know, our parish is receiving a safeguarding “healthcheck” on the 23rd of this month, specifically to examine the updating needed to meet the new requirements that have come into force in the last year or so. Some of these increased requirements are quite demanding, and bring a measure of inconvenience in having to meet them. That is unfortunate, especially for parish volunteers who have given their time and effort over many years. Frustration is entirely understandable, in my opinion. Nonetheless, we do need to ensure that our parish is a safe place for children and vulnerable adults, and the archdiocese makes these requirements to assist us in doing that. So, I would ask for your patience and continued cooperation.

Thank you to all our volunteers who have already returned documents for the new requirements. A heartfelt plea to those who have yet to get documents back to the office: please do so as soon as you can. Time is running short, and we want to put our best foot forward with the coming audit. Many thanks.

In Christ, Fr Scot Anthony Armstrong

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: Confirmation 2018

Children currently enrolled in the Sacramental Program will be confirmed on Friday, 17 August at 7:00pm at Mary Immaculate Catholic Church, Annerley. Preparation workshop sessions will be complete this coming THURSDAY afternoon, 16th August from 4pm-4.45pm in the Blue Room (beside the Art Room) at St Elizabeth’s Catholic Primary School, on corner of Cracknell Road & Effingham Street, Tarragindi. We look forward to celebrating this important milestone in the lives of our Parish’s young people. Teresa, sacramental_annek@bne.catholic.net.au

Vespers will be sung this Sunday 12th August in Mary Immaculate church at 4:00pm.

Secular Oratory for Men takes place this Thursday 16th August, starting at 7:30pm-in Mary Immaculate church. The talk will be given by Brother Shawn. The next Secular Oratory for women is Tuesday 11th September.

Copies of the Oratory’s August newsletter are now available in the church.

SAVE THE DATE!
Saturday, 13th October, 7:00pm -11:00pm
You are cordially invited to
St Elizabeth’s
60th Diamond Jubilee Celebration
at the Queensland Cricketers Club
PARISH DATE CLAIMERS

Monday 13th August  
Josephites Association Meeting at Majellan House, Yeerongpilly, at 10:00am. For further information, please contact Jay on 3848 8923 or Clare on 3848 3998.

Thursday 16th August  
Men’s Secular Oratory, 7:30pm-8:30pm, Mary Immaculate Church.

Saturday 18th August  
Baptism Preparation for Parents at 9:00am in MI School library (under church). Please phone the Parish Office to book.

Monday 10th September  
Elizabethan Social Club Bus Trip to Toowoomba. $50, all inclusive. Bus leaves SJF at 8:30am. To book, please phone Joan on 3848 3251 or Philomena on 3349 2809.

WE PRAY FOR: Those who are recently deceased: Des CALLEN, Peter BROPHY (Cairns), Robert ENGLAND (Mermaid Waters), Noreen GREALY, Bob GILLESPIE, Carmel LEE and Elwyn THOMPSON.

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All the faithful departed.

Reflection

There is no finer thing on earth than to make a virtue of necessity.
St Philip Neri

‘The first consequence (of remembering that prayer is the result of God's grace and not the use of some technique) is that, even though methods can be helpful in mental prayer, we should not attach much importance to them, much less imagine that everything depends on them. To do that would mean centering the life of prayer on ourselves instead of God, and that is just the mistake we should avoid. Nor should we imagine that all we need is a bit of practice, of learning certain “tricks”, and then all our difficulties, distractions, etc., will just vanish. The profound logic of growth and progress in the spiritual life belongs to a totally different order. And that is just as well, for if the edifice of prayer had to be built up on our own efforts we wouldn't get very far. St Teresa of Avila says “the whole edifice of prayer is founded upon humility” - on the conviction that of ourselves we can do nothing, and it is God, and he alone, who can produce good in our souls. Pride may make this idea distasteful to us, but in fact it is enormously liberating. God, who loves us, will carry us infinitely further and higher than we could ever get on our own steam.’

Time for God, Jacques Philippe (Sceptre, New York, 2009, page 4)

Christus Rex pilgrimage (26th – 28th October, 2018): registrations are open for this year’s pilgrimage in honour of Christ the King. For more details, or to register, go to http://crex.org/wordpress/.

Tuesday Rosary: On all Tuesdays in August, the Holy Rosary is recited for ‘those who know they are spiritually poor; the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them!' And for the Pope, the Bishops and the Priests, through the intercession of Our Lady of Grace. It begins 10 minutes after the 7am Mass in Mary Immaculate Church. All welcome.

Enquiries: Legion of Mary on 0421 258 418 (Bill).

First Saturday Devotion on August 4th: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession (7.15am to 8am), Twenty Minutes Meditation, 8.15am Mass, and Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Holy Rosary are recited 10 minutes after the Mass inside Mary Immaculate Church. Please come to the front for the Consecration and the Holy Rosary. Prayer sheets are provided.

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### Rosters for next week

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**
- **Sat (SJF)** 5:30pm: Kay Holmes
- **Sun (MI)** 7.30am: Brian McMahon, Noel Everding
- **Sun (SJF) 8:30am:** Dianne Shanahan
- **Sun (MI) 5.00pm:** Anna Herbert, Liam Herbert

**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, 13th August, 2018**

### CHURCH CARE
- Sacristy (SEC):**
  - **Sanctuary & Sacristy (MI) Mabel Saah**
- **Church Cleaning (MI):**
- **Laundry (SJF) Pat Smith**
- **Laundry (MI):** Mabel Saah

### St Gregory’s Latin Mass Community:
- **Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost, Wilston 7:30am**
- **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** Mass at 9.30am on August 15th

### PLEASE NOTE
**Changes to Mass times this week:**
- There will be no 9:00am [EF] Mass on Wednesday, August 15th. On this day, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated with an [EF] Solemn High Mass at 7:30pm at MI. There will be no Holy Hour on Friday, August 17th. Archbishop Coleridge will celebrate Confirmations at MI at 7:00pm on this day.

### MASS INTENTIONS
**Saturday, 11th August, Private:**
- For a special intention
- **5:30am Vigil at SJF:** For the Bergin Family
- **5:30pm Vigil at MI:** Mass for the People: “pro populo”

**Sunday, 12th August, 7:30am Mass at Wilston:**
- For the intention of the donor
- **8:30am Mass at SJF:** Alexander MacDonald and Tony Laidlow, deceased
- **5:00pm Mass at MI:** For a special intention

**Monday, 13th August, 6:30am Mass at SE:** For the new Carmelite monastery, Wilcannia-Forbes Diocese
- **7:00pm Mass at MI:** For Frassati groups and their members

**Tuesday, 14th August, Private:**
- For the repose of the soul of Robby McCormick
- **7:00am Mass at MI:** For the Holy Souls in purgatory

**Wednesday, 15th August, 7:00am Mass at SJF:**
- For the intention of the donor
- **7:30pm Mass at MI:** For Daniel & John Healy and Madonna & Kevin Healy, Holy Souls in purgatory

**Thursday, 16th August, Away:**
- For the benefactors of the Brisbane Oratory in formation, living and deceased
- **9:00am Mass at MI:** For Edward “Ted” Melville, 8th anniversary of death (28/7/2010)

**Friday, 17th August, Away:**
- For the intention of the donor
- **9:00am Mass at MI:** For special intentions

### Parish Diary & Mass Times: 13th - 19th August

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**Wednesday 15th August: Holy Day of Obligation**

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- **7:00am Mass [OF] SJF**
- **6:00pm Mass [OF] MI**
- **7:30pm Mass [EF] MI**

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**Friday 17th August**
- **6:30am Mass [OF] SE**
- **9:00am Mass [EF] MI**
- **7:00pm Confirmation Ceremony MI**

**Saturday 18th August**
- **8:15am Mass [EF] MI**

### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday 13th August**
- **5:45pm Mass [EF] MI**
- **9:00am Mass [OF] MI**
- **7:00pm Mass [OF+] MI**

**OF = Ordinary Form | OF+ = Ad orientem | EF = Extraordinary Form**

**MI = Mary Immaculate SE = St Elizabeth’s SJF = St John Fisher**

### CONFESSION 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.*

### Saturday, 18th August, Away, Private:
- For the intention of the donor
- **8:15am Mass at MI:**
- For Julita Diego Cunanan, anniversary of death
- **5:30pm Vigil at MI:** For a special intention
- **5:30pm Vigil at SJF:** Mass for the people “pro populo”

**Sunday, 19th August, Away:**
- For the intention of the donor
- **9:00am Mass at MI:**
- For the Adeney Family, in thanksgiving for talents shared
MASS READINGS

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'Lord,' he said 'I have had enough. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm 33

(Said by all)

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us raise up our voices;
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from his distress.

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God, as children of his that he loves, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 6:41-51

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, ‘I am the bread that came down from heaven.’ ‘Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph’ they said. ‘We know his father and mother. How can he now say, “I have come down from heaven”?’

Jesus said in reply, ‘Stop complaining to each other. No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets: They will all be taught by God, and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me. Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the father. I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat it and not die. I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world’

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 continues to meet on Tuesdays at 7:30pm at the Parish Office, 14 Ferndale Street, Annerley. If you would like to know more about the Catholic Church or are interested in becoming a Catholic, please contact Teresa on 0413 763 256 or email: sacramental_annek@bne.catholic.net.au.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND: $2,500.20
ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS AVERAGE FOR WEEK: $1,712.95
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?

□ I am a new parishioner
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