



St. Rita's Catholic Parish

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Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time -Year C – 17th Jul y 2022

This Week's Readings: Genesis 18:1-10, Ps 14:2-5, Colossians 1:24-28, Luke 10:38-42

Next Week—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Genesis 18:20-32, Ps 137:1-3, 6-8, Colossians 2:12-14, Luke 11:1-13

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

"IN PRAISE OF HOSPITALITY"

People who think of themselves as "pray-ers" love the story of Mary and Martha, while others who characterise themselves as "do-ers" are irritated by it. After all, Martha is an exemplary model of hospitality. She is serving her guest and honouring God in the process, just like Abraham did. So why is Abraham so esteemed and Martha seemingly admonished for exhibiting precisely the same behaviour?

Martha has done nothing wrong, and Jesus does not put her down for her generous service - though plenty of homilists this week will make it sound that way. Martha fulfils the cultural and religious obligation of hospitality admirably. Mary has chosen to follow another imperative, one that sprang from within her own desire: to be in the company of Jesus. If Martha errs, it's only in passing judgement over Mary's choice. Hospitality takes many forms. One of them is presence.

How do you serve the Lord by doing? How do you serve the Lord by being present? Make a commitment to hospitality. Cultivate the spirit of welcome. Risk becoming known as a source of refuge.

The mystery in a nutshell is just this: Christ is in you, therefore you can look forward to sharing God's glory. It's that simple.

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WEEKLY DIARY

Monday 18 July

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
9:30am Pro Life Rosary—Chapel

Tuesday 19 July

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
7:00pm Prayer & Praise—Chapel

Wednesday 20 July

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
10:00am Art Group—Ruby Room
4:00pm Choir - St Rita's Church

Thursday 21 July

Friday 22 July

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:00am Mass & Holy Hour—St Rita's Church

Saturday 23 July

4:30pm Reconciliation—St Rita's Church
5:00pm Vigil Mass—St Rita's Church

Sunday 24 July

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:00am Mass—St Rita's Church
8:00am Mass—Macleay Island - Church of the Holy Spirit
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

READERS REMINDER

5th Sunday this month is being Looked after by 3rd Sunday Reading Team

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, students on placement and Visitors to our sites.

For safeguarding inquiries or to raise any concerns, disclosures or allegations please contact our Local Safeguarding Representative: Bob Snoke on 0419 247 698

Please take a moment to pray for:

All those who are ill, especially Pauline Walker, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, Toby Bernal, Helen Stockwell, Benjamin Sloane, Daphne and Phil Dwiar, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Doherty, Kay Grieve, Jela Cicak, and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

We commend all the recently **deceased**.

We pray for all those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially Jim Sheppard and Trevor Stagg.



If you wish to have a loved one's name mentioned in the Parish Newsletter for an anniversary, a remembrance or a prayer for the sick, please contact the Parish Office. Envelopes to request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions are available at the back of the church. Mass Cards are available from the Piety Stall.

Be an Eternal Guardian of Your Faith

Do you want to ensure that the mission of the Catholic Church and your local parish continues well in to the future?

We need your support to sustain our faith and continue to provide parish facilities, programs and services for generations to come. Your gift, of any amount, will help carry forward the Gospel message to future generations.

To find out how you can be an Eternal Guardian of your faith, please contact us on 07 3324 3632 or visit www.catholicfoundation.org.au



**Pope's Prayer Intention
July 2022**

Elderly

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

A Notice from Fr Ladu

If you test positive for COVID-19, there are medicines available.

These antiviral treatments help to stop COVID-19 infection from becoming severe. You need to take the medication as soon as possible after symptoms start. You can get a script from your doctor if you have tested positive and are:

70 years and older, 50 years or older with 2 additional risk factors, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, 30 years or older with 2 additional risk factors, Young and immunocompromised

Risk factors include (but are not limited to) living in residential aged care, living with a disability, obesity, diabetes, heart failure and living remotely.

If you are, or know someone who is at risk of becoming severely ill from COVID-19, we encourage you to speak with your healthcare professional before a COVID-19 diagnosis to determine your eligibility and ensure you can get fast access to the medicine.

For further information copy the link below into your internet browser.

https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/i-have-covid/antiviral-medicines-for-covid-19?fbclid=IwAR1cicW5lqMpSMppvDAL0yY_p6_QUa_vq7VNEFH7PvtiLa4QByYcNXs232s

Support Your Parish

Our faith will sustain us through challenging times. Please keep supporting your Parish by continuing your weekly offering if you can, either by using our periodic direct debit or credit card facility or by direct deposit.

Our planned giving bank account details for direct deposits are as follows:

BSB: 064 786

Account No: 100027374

Account Name: Parish Donation

Kindly **reference** your deposit with your **surname** and your **planned giving number/envelope** number if you have one. Please contact the parish office for further information on 3207 9177.

Collections and donations for the weekend of **10 July 2022: \$TBA**

Workplace Health and Safety, Maintenance and Improvements:

RECENT ACTIVITIES: No activities.

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE: high-pressure water-blast pathways around Presbytery, high-pressure water-blast pathway leading to church, fix downlight in chapel, paint altar alcove wall, cleaning of carpets in Parish Office, polishing vinyl flooring in church, paint 3 doors at front of church, paint handrail at ramp entrance to church.

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING: replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval), repaint inside walls of presbytery, replace rusted-out gutter at chapel end of church building.



Sacramental News

Confirmation

18th July - 8-9am Confirmation Enrolment
(The Ruby Room/Parish Office)

18th July - 5-6pm Confirmation Enrolment
(The Ruby Room/Parish Office)

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



Meeting Monday 18th July
at 10am in The Ruby Room.

All are welcome!

A CALL FOR HELP!

A member of the parish family is required for the specific task of regularly trimming the hedges that run alongside the pathway into the church (the person currently doing this job will be unable to do so going forward).

If a member of the parish family cannot be found to do this job, then the hedges will be permanently removed.

Please contact the parish office or Fr Ladu
If you can help!

A Morning's Prayer is a 3 hour Saturday morning retreat to get away and spend some quality time with God. It will be facilitated with a time of input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing and aims to provide a prayerful respite from the busyness of life.

SATURDAY 30TH JULY

9am - 12pm, Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre,

Cost \$20per person



Have A Chat Club!

THURSDAY 28 JULY 2022
11AM



VICTORIA POINT TAVERN



Come along and Have A Chat and a laugh!

ALL WELCOME!

For more information please contact
Elaine Pascoe 3207 9866.



HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

***"Therefore, since we are receiving
a kingdom that cannot be
shaken, let us be thankful, and so
worship God acceptably with
reverence and awe" Hebrews 12:28***

All are welcome to join our Catholic Charismatic Group,
which meets for praise and worship at St Rita Parish,
chapel, every Tuesday night from 7:00pm till 9:00pm

Please bring your bible.

Please call MAY RICHARDSON 0435212787 or
EJ POLOTAN 0403658827

Welcome to St Rita's Catholic Church



If you are a visitor, welcome!
We are honoured to have you celebrate with us.

If you are interested in becoming part of this
spiritual faith-filled community, please collect a
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contact the Parish Office 3207 9177

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