

OUR Lady OF THE Angels PARISH

Chermside West Wavell Heights

St Gerard Majella
146 Maundrell Terrace, Chermside West

St Paschal Baylon
30 Warraba Ave, Wavell Heights

SUNDAY 18th June 2023 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Dear Parishioners, Friends and Visitors,

Throughout His earthly life Jesus had a strong feeling of sympathy for people who were suffering - and a desire to help them. No wonder, the Gospel is replete with examples of times when Jesus was filled or moved with compassion or pity. At the tomb of His friend Lazarus, before Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, He was moved in His Spirit and He wept (John 11:35). Before feeding the 4000 people, Jesus said to His disciples, "I have compassion for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat. If I send them home hungry, they will collapse on the way, because some of them have come a long distance," (Mark 8:2-3). Compassion is simply one of the basic qualities, or perhaps the main quality, which underpinned almost all the miraculous deeds of Christ in the Gospels.



In this gospel of this weekend, Matthew the evangelist said that 'when Jesus saw the crowds, He was moved with compassion to the depths of His being, for they were bewildered and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd,' (Matthew 9:36). Having a strong feeling of sympathy for people who are suffering and a desire to help them is the work of the whole person. It takes an interplay of all the organs and senses of the human person to show strong feeling of sympathy for people who are suffering and a desire to help them. The heart must be prepared to feel what the eyes have seen for a compassionate deed to happen - and the hands and the feet must be prepared to engage in practical actions.

Jesus was moved with compassion for the sick, and the suffering, because in their pain, Jesus was afflicted to the depth of His being. He was touched to His bone marrow; he felt their torment and anguish. In other words, compassion wasn't just a feel-good buzzword for Jesus. Compassion shaped the nature and the trajectory of Jesus' ministry.

Unlike other teachers of His time, it was said that the teachings of Jesus made deep impressions on His hearers; not necessarily because of the best pedagogical frameworks Jesus adopted - but because He cared for the people. Teddy Roosevelt was the American politician, statesman, soldier, conservationist, naturalist, historian, and writer who served as the 26th president of the United States from 1901 to 1909. He once said, "nobody cares how much you know until they know how much you care." Jesus cared for the people He taught. Compassion is foundational and critical for any form of connectedness, be it intellectual or social. When Mother Teresa left her teaching career to devote her entire life to working among the poorest of the poor in the slums of Calcutta, it was the suffering and poverty she glimpsed outside the convent walls which attracted her to these, the neediest and the most vulnerable.

Since arriving in our Lady of the Angels' early this year, I have been amazed at the spirit of generosity in the parish, especially evident in the Op-shop. Everything in the Op-Shop is donated and those who run the Op-Shop are parishioners who give generously of their time, talent and treasure. We are getting such a lot for free that we need to consider ways and means of giving back to the community and the world. We need to reconsider the missionary character of our parish, and in doing so, we need to make compassion an integral part of our life as a people.

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MASS TIMES

St Gerard Majella - 146 Maundrell Tce, Chermside West

Mon: 9.00am FRI: 9.00am

Sat: 4:30pm Sun: 8:00am & 5:30pm

St Paschal Baylon - 30 Warraba Ave, Wavell Heights

Wed: 8.45am (During School Term)

Thu: 9.00am Sat: 6:00pm Sun: 9:30am

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Please approach Fr John**

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Compassion is not a social or political action; but a form of interconnectedness and amongst our community as Christians it needs to be a lifestyle. "Love thy neighbour" is preached from many pulpits; however, it often appears that many religious are less motivated by compassion when helping a stranger than are atheists, agnostics and less religious people. The Goodnews of Christ is transformational. As Christians, our hearts and our whole lives need to be touched and transformed by that Goodnews, so that we can become intentional missionary disciples of Christ in our world. As Jesus sent the first early disciples to continue His work and mission, so too does He send us as His present-day disciples. We are the continuing presence of Jesus Christ on earth, and every member of our Lady of the Angels' Parish is sent by Jesus to contribute to this mission of Christ.

Do you think of yourself as part of the mission of Christ-which is the mission of Our Lady of the Angels' Parish? If so, how are you engaged in this mission?

God bless you all
Fr. John

Christmas In July last year was a resounding success. Come *celebrate* again this year.

Aussie Christmas in July

Friday 21, July at 6:30pm

A sumptuous hot Christmas Buffet including dessert. BYO drinks and glasses.

Adults \$40

Children 4-14yo \$20

Bookings now open on the Parish website : olaparishchermide.org.au or collect a Booking Form from the Church Entrance.



Stewardship

"As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'" Matthew 10:7

Many of us take our lives for granted. We think we have plenty of time to "repent." Maybe we should live with a little more urgency in making things right with God. This is the difference in living our discipleship out of obligation versus out of love. Obligation implies we do the minimum required. Love implies we want a relationship. God wants us to be with Him in Heaven forever, but He also wants to be in relationship with us right now, while we are on earth. Start this second – invite the Lord into your heart.

(Accessed on May 26, 2023 from www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weeklybible-reflections)

Our Lady of the Angels' Parish

Warmly welcomes new members through Baptism

*Caleb Allam
Olivia Kelly*

Baptisms are celebrated on Saturday mornings at 10:00am alternately at St Gerards' and St Paschals'. Bookings to be arranged in person at the Parish Office Monday - Friday between 9am - 3pm.

Please check the Parish website for documentation required when making a booking.

Baptism preparation sessions will be held on the 1st Sunday of the month at St Paschal's Church following a Welcome Mass at 9:30 a.m. During mass the family will be presented with their child(ren)'s Baptismal candle to keep for the day of their baptism.

Office Phone Issue

The office phone is currently not working. Until this issue is sorted the office can be contacted on the Parish Emergency Number **0493 636 632**.



Brisbane City Pops Orchestra
Conducted by Neil Flottmann

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Golden Wedding
- Mancini Magic
- Salute to the Big Bands
- Fantasia on Greensleeves
- Titanic Medley

GUEST ARTISTS

Our Lady of the Angels
Primary School Choir
Conducted by
Debra Todhunter

FRIDAY 18TH AUGUST, 7PM

St Paschal's Catholic Church
30 Warraba Ave.
Wavell Heights

Tickets purchased at:
www.olaparishchermide.org.au
or contact the office
Ph: 33590239

Tickets - \$35 (inc. light supper) Tickets at the door if not previously sold out

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GOOD MEN**

**Father & Teenage Son
Weekend Experience**

23-25 JUNE 2023
PGL KINDILAN ADVENTURE PARK

The relationship between a father and his son is one of the primary and most critical relationships a man will have, particularly in the teen years. The impact our Fathers have on us, and we as Fathers have on our children/our sons is profound.

It will always be defining.

In response to this menALIVE has developed a weekend experience: **GROWING GOOD MEN**. It will be held at the PGL Kindilan Adventure Park from June 23 - 25.

This program encourages and enables fathers and sons to share life, to strengthen their relationships and to explore the important elements of growing into manhood. The Journey into Manhood should not be done alone.

Register here:

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Men Alive - Growing Good Men



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MYoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au, 3230 8600. Visit www.jta.link/SJC.



Peter Kearney Concert-Reflection

SIGNS of HOPE – PEOPLE of FAITH

SONGS & STORIES

Songs linked by stories and reflections about people whose faithful lives have brought compassion, hope and justice into our world.

Thursday 3rd August, 6.30pm
St. Paschal's Catholic Church
30 Warraba Ave
WAVELL HEIGHTS

Donations welcome

Sacramental News

For students in year 3 or others not yet confirmed, the enrolment forms are available on our website, at Mass or from the school office.

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Recently Deceased: Ron James, Stephen Gerard Smith

Anniversaries: Please pray for Leo Feeney, Joan Roche, Alfonso Daglo, Sebastian Paul, Joan Morton and all those whose names appear in our Parish Books of Remembrance.

Sick: Please pray for Greg Kelly and all those whose names appear in our Parish Books of the Sick.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

25 June 2023 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13

Psalm: Psalm 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35

2nd Reading: Romans 5: 12-15

Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

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Weekend	1st	2nd	Loose	TOTAL
11/06/23	\$	\$	\$	\$3837.40

All donations are greatly appreciated

Regular Parish Activities

1st Friday: Adoration after 9.00am Mass St Gerards

2nd Friday: Anointing Mass 9.00am St Gerards

Rosary : before Friday Mass (but not during Lent)

: after Friday Mass

What's on this Week: 19 - 23 June 2023

Mon 19/06 Christian Meditation St P 5.45pm

Thurs 22/06 Thursday Ladies Group St G 10:00am

Op-Shop OPEN

Monday to Friday 9:30am to 1:30pm

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