



Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Parish

Gatton Laidley

Our Parish Mission:

Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Parish exists so that all generations come to develop an authentic relationship with Jesus Christ, become his hands and feet in the community, and live and spread the Word of God to bring fullness of life to all.

Readings for this Week

First Reading
Deuteronomy
4:1-2, 6-8

Psalm
14:2-5

*The just will live in
the presence of the
Lord.*

Second Reading
James
1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Gospel
Mark
7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Mass Centres

St Joseph's Church
10 Hunt Street
Forest Hill

St Mary's Church
Cnr Spencer
& Maitland Streets
Gattton

**St Therese's
Church**
8 Brightview Road
Glenore Grove

St Patrick's Church
1-3 John Street Sth
Laidley

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B

29 August, 2021

'Cry of the Earth Cry of the Poor'

As we celebrate the **Social Justice Sunday**, it is interesting to reflect on the concept of justice. We talk and hear about stories of injustice or unjust situations especially in the context of the pandemic. So many people within our nation or around the world are deprived of what they deserve in life. We all **need a change of heart** to accommodate the vast demand for basic feelings of care and kindness. The very statement of Social Justice Sunday this year provides the theological foundations to ground and inspire efforts to care for creation while responding to the needs of the disadvantaged and excluded. It has to begin in our hearts - starts with you and me.

The other day as I was walking into one of our Aged Care Homes - the very entry each time requires filling the forms, checking temperature and signing the sheet on the top of all other requirements - it is overwhelming. But when I walked in with one of our wonderful parishioners (Maureen Bishop) I was thrilled to see the cute smile of the inmates in the midst of their struggles and pain. It is so much encouraging to keep going with all the unpleasant rules, when they are overridden by **great joy and love**.

The question is '**do we care for those around us**'? Do we take care of the plants and animals around us.? We were originally **created in the image and likeness of God** not just to rule over the created things and beings but to celebrate the stewardship of it. "Let us be protectors of creation, protectors of God's plan inscribed in Nature, protectors of one another and of the environment"(Laudato Si). Let us pray to God 'to teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, recognising that we are profoundly united with everything in creation as we continue our journey together". Amen.

*Loving Regards
Noyichan*

Sacramental Journey - Reconciliation

The journey continues for the Sacrament of Penance.

Children attending St Mary's School Laidley

Sessions in the classroom on 2nd September

Sacrament of Penance will be at **12 noon on 16th September**
at St Patrick's Church

Children attending Our Lady of Good Counsel School Gatton

Sessions in the classroom in 2nd September and 9th September

Sacrament of Penance will be at **9am on 15th September at St Mary's Church**

Mass attendance is a wonderful way to help your child prepare for this sacrament. Please email or phone the office 5465 3131 to book for Mass.

Mass dates:

Laidley - Saturday 28th August and 4th September, Sunday 12th September

Gatton - Sunday 29th August and 5th September, Saturday 11th September

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Parish Office to advise and discuss.



Mass Times

Please note that bookings are preferred for all Masses. Your contact information is required at the time of booking for COVID tracing purposes.

Saturday 28th August

6:00pm Laidley

Sunday 29th August

7:00am Glenore Grove
9:00am Gatton

Monday 30th August

No Mass

Tuesday 31st August

4:30pm Rosary
5:00pm Mass Forest Hill

Wednesday 1st September

7:30am Rosary
8:00am Mass Gatton
Benediction

Thursday 2nd September

No Mass

Friday 3rd September

No Mass

Saturday 4th September

6:00pm Laidley

Sunday 5th September

7:00am Glenore Grove
9:00am Gatton

Reconciliation

Generally available every **Saturday afternoon** before the Vigil Mass - booking required.

Please phone the office if you wish to book a specific time.



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Parish News and Notices

Welcome to Mass—UPDATED INFORMATION—28 August 2021

Please wear your mask when arriving and leaving the church. If you can remain 1.5 metres from people not in your household, you may remove your mask during Mass.

Please only use the one door located near the monitor to enter and exit. Please **come early**—at least 15 minutes before Mass.

This allows enough time to sanitise your hands and have your name checked from the list by the monitor.

Of course, **if you are unwell, please DO NOT come to Mass.**

NOTICE!

FACEMASKS



REQUIRED

The **Check In Qld** app is **REQUIRED** our Parish Churches & Venues

This will enable our parish to easily comply with the Public Health Directions by enabling parishioners to self-check-in at Church and have their information directly stored with Queensland Health for contact tracing (if required).

Please be advised that you will still need to book in for Mass as per our usual process as we remain limited with numbers able to attend.

Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

'This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me.'

Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Unless we train ministers capable of warming people's hearts, of walking with them in the night, of dialoguing with their hopes and disappointments, of mending their brokenness, what hope can we have for our present and future journey?

(Pope Francis, Meeting with the Bishops of Brazil, Rio de Janeiro, 28 July 2013)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheffame/

Ladies be prepared for "Something Beautiful"

Saturday October 16 - an all day retreat for all ladies.

Even though we may not feel beautiful at times in our lives, it is important that we are reminded of those facts daily. In Him and through Him, we are beautiful.

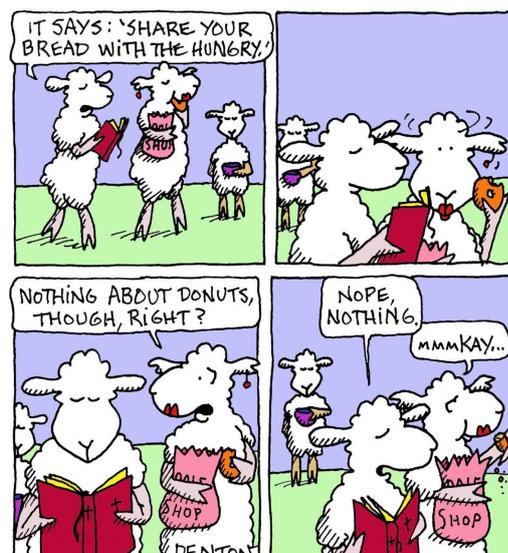
Staying close to our community, through our day-to-day activities as well as attending retreats such as this, is a wonderful way to achieve that goal.

More information and booking details coming soon.

Morning Tea St Patrick's Church Laidley

The Inclusion and Outreach Team invites **YOU** for a lovely Cuppa in the Hall!

Date
12 September 2021
After 9am Mass



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"Be doers of the word, not hearers only, deluding yourselves."

Sheepish Question:

When and why have I tried to get around what God really wants?

NEWS FROM INCLUSION AND OUTREACH TEAM

On Saturday 14 August several members of the Inclusion and Outreach team met at the St Vincent de Paul shed at Gatton to help sort donated clothing and other household items, collected from around the Gatton district. In a practical way we wanted to learn about the charitable work undertaken by Vinnies in our community.

The St Vincent de Paul Society is about living the Christian values through a practical mission centered around core values of commitment, compassion, respect, integrity, empathy, advocacy and courage. It is embodied by the working motto – "Vinnies changes lives every day".

We spoke with Nellie, the President of the local organization, about the work that they do in the community supporting people in need and welfare activities, at the shed and at the Vinnies shop in Railway Street Gatton. We gained a tremendous insight into the charitable work that is carried out by this lay catholic organization, in working to shape a more just and compassionate society.

Engaging in this community work reminded us of the values of St Vincent de Paul Society to recognize that charity is about and needing a 'hand up' rather than a 'hand out', to encourage and help those in need to take control of their own destiny.

Afterwards we joined the Saturday morning Vinnies helpers for morning tea. Thank you to the Vinnies team and to those who joined us at the Vinnies Shed.

The Inclusion and Outreach team will definitely organize with Nellie to have another Vinnies morning. Look out for our notice in the parish newsletter. We would be delighted if you want to join us.

NEWS FROM ST MARY'S SCHOOL LAIDLEY

I would like to inform you that earlier this week we completed the Interview process for our Assistant Principal Religious Education and I am pleased to announce Mr Patrick Finch's appointment to this position. Patrick is currently the Acting Assistant Principal Religious Education at Our Lady of the Rosary, Caloundra. His qualifications include Bachelor of Primary Teaching and he is currently undertaking a Master of Education in Religious Education.

Patrick is a dedicated teacher with extensive teaching knowledge and skills and recognises the pivotal role educators play in the holistic growth and development of all students. He prides himself on living out his faith every day and building relationships with parents, staff, and students. He is committed to ensuring all students achieve academic success and is looking forward to joining the St Mary's Community.

We will warmly welcome Patrick to St Mary's Primary School in Week 9 of Term 3 and congratulate him on his appointment. **-Zoe Stewart, Principal**

A VOCATION VIEW: BE A DOER OF THE WORD.

Thank God our struggles of faith can be ultimately overcome through prayer, perseverance and love. 'Do what the world tell you'. Be doers of the word.

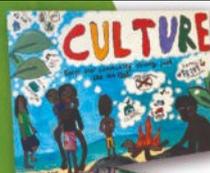
To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane

Phone 1300 133 544 **Email** vocation@bne.catholic.net.au **Web** www.vocationbrisbane.com.au



**NATIONAL
CHILD
PROTECTION
WEEK**

5-11 September 2021



**EVERY CHILD
IN EVERY COMMUNITY
NEEDS A FAIR GO**

OUR PARISH

Parish Priest:

Father Noyichan
M Antony MCBS
After Hours: 5462 5374

Parish Manager:

Chris Pingel

Parish Assistant:

Elmarie Cunliffe

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Our Lady of the Valley
Catholic Parish



Website:

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Safeguarding:

Complaints/Disclosures
Phone: STOPLINE
1300 304 550

PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School

Gatton QLD 4343
Phone: 5460 2999
Principal: Nathan Haley
APRE: Naomi Boyle

OLGC Kindergarten

Gatton QLD 4343
Phone: 5462 4810
Director: Donna Marriott

OLGC OSHC

Phone: 0487 001 722
Coordinator: Jayde Nesbitt

St Mary's Catholic School

Laidley QLD 4341
Phone: 5465 1240
Principal: Zoe Stewart
APRE: Patrick Finch

Sophia College

Plainland QLD 4341
Phone: 5411 3400
Principal: Narelle Dobson
APRE: Margareta Lemon

We pray for ...

THE SICK:

Shirley Myles, Judy Shepherd, Michael Heenan, Murrell Kowaltzke, Marilyn Didsman, Peter Jackson, Ray Woodward, David Curry, Catherine Dormer, Lil Warland, Mary & Lionel Dusart, Lorraine Sells, Priscilla Pianko, Angela Curry, Bill Lansdown, Tahlia Utz, Marie Coleman, Mark Liesch, Rachel Bennett, Vivian Moore, Jillian Hall, Clara Hutchinson, Elizabeth Marten, Albert Hall, Judy McGlade, Joel Thiele, Steven Campbell, Georgina Edwards, Helen, Pat Pingel, Joan Egan, Elisabeth Maltry, Sienna Beutel, Lucy Kimmings

If you would like a sick person prayed for, please ask their permission.

Names will be included for the duration of ONE MONTH after which family can request more time.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Daniel John Fitzgerald

ANNIVERSARIES:

Patrick John Brandon, Don Diete, Doris May Marsh, Bernardine Elizabeth Cleary, Margaret Herrmann, Thomas Upton, Thomas Robert Ford, Theresa Agnes Haines, Gregory John Reuter, Emily Moran, Thomas Gould, Bill Quade, Helena Auchter, Jean Hall, John Francis Rossler, Percival Collingwood Hickey, Kathleen Mary McGuirk, Michael John O'Dea, Mary Mehegan, Veronica Ann Luck, Ellen Mary Kearney, William Murphy, Anthony Smith, Bridget Elizabeth Cook, John Mulveena, Douglas Raymond Steffens, Fred Charles Andrew

Immaculate Heart of Mary

*we trust to your gentle care and intercessions those we love
and those who have died, who are sick, lonely or hurting.*

*Help all of us Holy Mother to bear our burdens in this life
until we share eternal life with God. Amen.*



Safeguarding Update

As **National Child Protection Week** nears, it is a timely reminder that we all bear the responsibility of maintaining a safe environment for the young children and the vulnerable in our community. Our parish is blessed to have so many willing volunteers, who selflessly give of their time, often completing their work quietly behind the scenes, simply looking to serve God with the gifts they have been given.

Many parish volunteers are required to have a **Blue Card** and or **Police Check** to comply with the archdiocesan safeguarding requirements. It is just three years since we did a group registration and compliance update for our parish. This means it is time for the **renewal of Blue Cards, Police Checks and revision of the Safeguarding Induction and/or Advanced Safeguarding** depending on your role.

Blue Card renewals are sent to you about three months prior to the expiry of your card. If you are still volunteering in our parish, please do not ignore this renewal. If you need assistance with completing the renewal on paper or online, please call the office. We are happy to help you through it or advise if it is still required. Police Checks do not have an automatic renewal advice, and we will be contacting people who need to renew their Police Check.

The Safeguarding Induction video is only 20 minutes and you are able to watch it from home via the video link. The Advanced Safeguarding video takes about 45 minutes. For those who cannot utilise the technology, we will have some group sessions either before or after Mass in Gatton and Laidley.

The Archdiocese also updated their requirements recently, and many volunteers are no longer required to have a Blue Card or Police Check - this applies especially to readers and extraordinary ministers. The requirement to engage in the safeguarding refresher remains. More details will be advised soon.

Special Anniversaries and Milestone Birthdays

This year we will be celebrating with an afternoon tea
and concert by Peter Kearney.

Saturday 13th November

**commencing at 2:30pm
Community Centre Gatton**

