



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
Job
7:1-4,6-7

Psalm
146:1-6
*Praise the Lord
who heals the
broken-hearted*

Second Reading
I Corinthians
9:16-19,22-23

Gospel
Mark
1:29-39

Mass Centres

St Joseph's Church
10 Hunt Street
Forest Hill

St Mary's Church
Cnr Spencer
& Maitland Streets
Gatton

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

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

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B

7 February, 2021



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

*"Show yourself a father,
and guide us in the path of life."*

Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde (With a Father's Heart)*, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church by Blessed Pope Pius IX.

We may be familiar with consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary, in particular the method popularized by St. Louis De Montfort which consists of 33 days of spiritual preparation. In recognition of the emphasis the Church has placed on St. Joseph in recent centuries, Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, has introduced a similar Consecration to St. Joseph complete with 33 days of readings and prayers leading up to a prayer of consecration recited on a feast day connected to St. Joseph. The next starting date will be February 15th, ending with consecration on the Solemnity of St Joseph, 19th March.

Below is a beautiful prayer that has been prepared by the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference, and as a parish, we will be using this prayer throughout the year.

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
In you Mary placed her trust;
With you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
Show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
And defend us from every evil. Amen.*

UNDERSTANDING OUR BAPTISMAL CALL

This weekend is the launch of the Call to all Catholics campaign ... It is also an opportunity to reflect on our own Baptism. Shane describes it like this ... *"We can often feel powerless to effect change in our world, in our Church, in the lives of people around us, or even in our own lives. This is where faith comes in, and our trust in the knowledge that God is at work, and will lead us forward if we place our confidence in Him."*

We have several young families bringing their child for Baptism in the near future. At their Baptism Preparation Session, they are reminded of what it means for their child to be Catholic, and how they as parents, can stay connected with their faith and our parish community.

An invitation is extended to all parishioners would like to join in the Baptism preparation session this coming **Wednesday 10th February** at the Community Centre in Gatton (7pm start). It is an opportunity to support these young families, and also an opportunity for you to learn about Baptism and be reminded of how this Sacrament has changed your life! Please advise Father Noy, Deacon Francis or the Parish Office if you would like to attend.



Mass Times

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

Saturday 6th February
6:00pm Laidley

Sunday 7th February
7:00am Glenore Grove
9:00am Gatton

Monday 8th February
No Mass

Tuesday 9th February

Opening School Mass
OLGC Gatton

4:30pm Rosary
5:00pm Forest Hill

Wednesday 10th February

7:30am Rosary
8:00am Gatton
Liturgy of the Word
with Communion

Thursday 11th February

Our Lady of Lourdes

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

Friday 12th February

No Mass or Liturgy
Opening School Mass
St Mary's Primary Laidley

Saturday 13th February

6:00pm Gatton

Sunday 14th February

7:00am Forest Hill
9:00am Laidley

Reconciliation

Available by appointment - please phone Parish Office or see Fr Noy after Mass.

Mass on Television

Every Sunday at 6am

- Channel 10
- WIN Channel 350

Please note ...

All Catholics remain dispensed from their Sunday obligation until further notice



Parish News and Notices

Welcome to Mass—UPDATED INFORMATION—24 January 2021

With the warmer weather, all the doors of the church are opened to assist with the air flow. Please do not use them to enter or exit. Only use the one door located near the monitor to enter and exit.

- ☑ Please phone or email gatton@bne.catholic.net.au early in the week to **book your seat/s**.
- ☑ **Permanent Mass bookings are available.** If you know what Mass times and places you prefer to attend, please phone or email the Parish Office to go onto the permanent list/s. eg all 9am Masses
If you have a permanent booking and you are going to be away, please phone or email the office to advise, so that your seat can be offered to someone else.
- ☑ 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, even if you make a booking, and if you **are unwell, please DO NOT come to Mass**



Keep your distance



Smile and wave!



Wash your hands regularly



Cover coughs and sneezes

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

9:00am St Patrick's Laidley

6:00pm St Mary's Gatton

Bookings now available



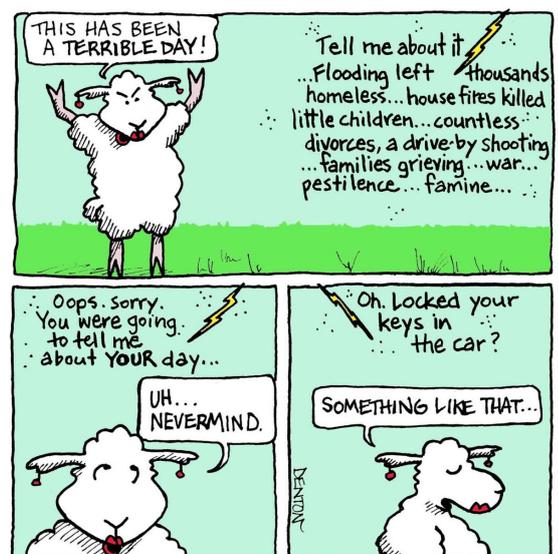
"I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have perfect peace. In the world you have tribulation and suffering, but be courageous, be confident, be filled with joy, I have overcome the world." John 16:33

Please note: Mass schedule is subject to any Government changes due to COVID19



Congratulations to Ron Weier as he celebrates his 95th birthday on Monday 8th February. May God continue to bless him and keep him healthy and happy in the days ahead.

If you or someone in your family is celebrating a milestone birthday or special anniversary this year, (and you don't want it to be kept a secret) please contact the Parish Office with details, or add the information to the list at the churches.



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"The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many ... and drove out many demons."

Sheepish Question:

Where is God in my concerns? Where am I in his?

News from the Adult Formation team

Lent 2021 is to a journey of **Reflection, Retreat and Reconciliation** for us, culminating in the magnificent celebrations of Easter; the highlight being the Resurrection of Jesus.

An opportunity for reflection ...

Evangelisation Brisbane have developed a great new resource that focuses on a daily reflection—a change from the previous Lenten books that were designed for groups to meet on a weekly basis and reflect on the Sunday readings of Lent.

This new resource “**Look to Jesus**” invites us into a personal study through Lent at our own pace, or to have a shared experience of personal reflection and meeting occasionally in a small group using the Sunday reflections www.evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/daily-reflections/

Some suggestions for these small groups are: your ministry group, a family group, some readers from Mass could form a group, Catholic Ladies or Vinnies could be a group. Find a few people with similar interests to you, and enjoy the journey and be enriched this Lent. If you have an idea for a group, and need some contact information, please phone the Parish Office and someone from the Adult Formation team will assist you. These books are **now on sale at \$ 5 each** with limited stock being available.

Another opportunity for personal reflection is the “**little Black Book**” series, which delves into the richness of our Catholic faith as we journey through Lent. A wonderful resource! These books are **\$ 4 each** and are also available in limited numbers at the churches.

An opportunity for retreat ...

In keeping with the theme of Lent, we have two retreats planned. The first will be on **Saturday 20th March** in Laidley Church, and the second will be in Gatton Community Centre on **27th March** and will be led by Shane Dwyer from Evangelisation Brisbane. Both these retreats will start at 2pm. Individual reconciliation will be available after these retreats. More information to come soon on these retreats; if you want to book in advance, please contact the office.

An opportunity for reconciliation ...

Lent is time for reconciling with God and with others. Guided by the Holy Spirit, our daily reflections and prayer will help us to see areas of our life that are unreconciled.

Pray for the Grace to see ...

Father Noy will also be available **every Saturday afternoon** during Lent from **4:00 - 5:30pm for Confession**, prior to the 6pm Vigil Mass. This Lent, guided by the Holy Spirit, let us accompany each other on our Lenten Journey.

✠ Joyful ✠ Inclusive ✠ Inspirational ✠ Loving ✠ Christ-centred ✠ Authentic

Lent 2021 begins in just under two weeks' time ...

Do you ever ask yourself the question about why you do what you do or why you are at this point in your life ... and is it where you thought you would be?



God has so much more for you and Lent 2021 is an opportunity to transform our lives and become all that God has created us to be. There are many resources available to help you on your Lenten journey ... some Lenten habits can become lifetime habits of spiritual nourishment. This website and App is highly recommended ... <https://pray-as-you-go.org>

Pray As You Go is a daily prayer session, designed to go with you wherever you go, to help you pray whenever you find time, but particularly whilst travelling to and from work, study, etc.

A new prayer session is produced every day of the working week and one session for the weekend. It is not a 'Thought for the Day', a sermon or a bible-study, but rather a framework for your own prayer.

Lasting between ten and thirteen minutes, it combines music, scripture and some questions for reflection and is based on Ignatian Spirituality. *Try it and see!* Free App and access to all resources.



OUR PARISH

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PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School

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

OLGC Kindergarten

Gatton QLD 4343
Phone: 5462 4810
Director: Donna Marriott

OLGC OSHC

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St Mary's Catholic School

Laidley QLD 4341
Phone: 5465 1240
Principal: Zoe Stewart
APRE: Clare Hogan

Sophia College

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

We pray for ...

THE SICK:

Angela Curry, Norma Hall, John O'Dea, Bill Lansdown, James Watts, Tahlia Utz, Marie Coleman, Mark Liesch, Rachel Bennett, Vivian Moore, Jillian Hall, Catherine Dormer, Lynette Pocock, Elizabeth Marten, Albert Hall, Judy McGlade, Joel Thiele, Clara Hutchinson, Bree Kohlhase, Steven Campbell, Stasiu Kaminski, Georgina Edwards, Marjorie Cusack, Helen Colley, Pat Pingel, Paul & Margaret Kelly, Joan Egan, Michael Trail (aged 10), 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:

Kaye Bartkowski

ANNIVERSARIES:

Mercia Jackson, Keirin Crowley, Ellen Monica Engel, Ross Kealy, Christina Laffey, Lindsay John Smith, Veronica Therese Czislawski, Steven Robert Elliott, Jane Mary Linnan, Edwin John Knowles, Martin Laffey, Anna Joseph, Ernest Seng, Frank McGuirk, James Joseph Laffey, Robert Hockings, Brian Ahearn, Anna Maria Armitage, Wendy Grofski, Andrew Gillam, Greg Pomerence, Nona June Mulcahy, Daniel Michael Horigan

*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.*



Call to all Catholics



In an advertising campaign in February and March featuring international cricketer, Matthew Hayden, the Archdiocese of Brisbane is inviting all baptised Catholics to reflect upon what it means to be baptised Catholic.

We're looking for your help to:

- Pray for the opening of hearts
- Accompany those who are seeking
- Welcome new faces

There is a flier in your newsletter this weekend, and there will also be more copies available at the church doors that you can give to family, friends, or colleagues who might be interested.

To sign up to be an accompanier or join the prayer, or to find out more, go to: www.evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/baptisedcatholic

The Catholic Leader returns as a print edition this weekend

The Catholic Leader team is encouraging all readers to take up a subscription for their new look monthly publication. Forms available at churches or visit their website www.catholicleader.com.au/subscribe to get started.



For the February edition only, our parish has organised a small number of Catholic Leaders to be available for sale at \$ 4 each. In the meantime, The Catholic Leader website www.catholicleader.com.au will continue to publish daily news stories as a free service to the Catholic communities.

Are you looking for part time work that helps spread the joy of the Gospel?

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:
Job Vacancies - Are you looking for flexible ongoing part time work? Will you share the stories of suffering Christians?



Aid to the
Church in Need
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Aid to the Church in Need is recruiting for a number of **Diocesan Outreach Assistants** who will deliver monthly presentations in parishes across Australia. For more details visit www.aidtochurch.org/work