



GUARDIAN ANGELS CATHOLIC PARISH WYNNUM



Our Parish Vision

“A welcoming, vibrant, inclusive, loving and outreaching community who understand their Catholic beliefs and live their lives connected by the love of Jesus Christ”

Mission Statement

We strive to proclaim the joy of the Gospel and reach out to others so that they experience God’s unconditional love.

Welcome to our Parish!


Parish Office Hours

Mon & Tues: 9am to 2pm

Wed, Thu & Fri: 9am to 4pm

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WEEKEND MASSES

Guardian Angels Church

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 7am, 9am, 5pm

Children’s Liturgy held every 2nd and 4th Sundays at the 5pm Mass

Iona College Chapel

Sunday 7:30am

St. Joseph the Worker, Hemmant

Sunday 8:00am

Nazareth House Chapel

Sunday 9:30am

Capuchin Friars in residence:

Parish Priest:

Father Thomas McFadden OFM Cap

Brother Lawrie Sweeper OFM Cap

Father John Cooper OFM Cap

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

15 October 2023

Good News Reflection

How to handle fakers

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus addresses the problem of fakers, i.e., people who try to win his friendship by being religious and showing up for the banquet of the Eucharist (Mass) while refusing to enter into a genuine relationship with God.

You know the type: They are friendly as long as it works to their own advantage. They do good deeds but only when it's convenient. They perform Catholic rituals perfectly during Mass but at home they don't even take time to pray. Their faith is so shallow that distractions easily keep them away from Mass. When a priest sins, they leave Catholicism. When their relationship with you requires sacrifice or repentance, they abandon you.

Those who have a genuine relationship with God are identified by the presence of God's love within them radiating outward and blessing others, especially when it's not easy to love.

Jesus shows us in today's parable how to handle the fakers. The invitation to join the party is open to everyone, but when people want only the fun of being a child of God and they ignore the hard work of sharing his love with others, God sets up boundaries against them.

Think of the people you've invited to your banquet table, i.e., into a healthy, Godly relationship, but they've tried to reshape it according to their unhealthiness and immorality. We should love them but not within harmful circumstances. We should do our own part to make the relationship healthy, but when others do not do their part, they've already abandoned the relationship.

God asks us to carry the cross of doing everything possible to invite them to repentance, conversion, and healing. However, healthy boundaries need to remain in place, and when our efforts are fruitless, eventually God says it's time to let go and move on.

And always, we're to go back out into the byroads to find those who genuinely value Godly friendships.

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Today’s Readings: Is 25:6-10; Phil 4:12-14,19-20; Mt 22:1-14

Response to the Psalm: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Gospel acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!* May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. *Alleluia!*

Next Week’s Readings: Is 45:1,4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21

New to the Parish?



Welcome to our Parish!
Feel free to take a Welcome Pack located at the back of the church.

We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this country and their connection to the land, sea and waterways and the community. We also pay respect to their Elders, past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Peoples today.


THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Guardian Angels Church ROSTER - 21 & 22 October 2023

Monday to Friday:
Morning Prayer: 6:40am
Mass: 7:00am
This Thursday only: Mass at 5pm

Friday:
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 7:30am to 11:45am
Mass: 12 Noon
Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: 7:00pm

Saturday:
Morning Prayer: 7:40am
Mass 8:00am

Confessions:

Saturdays 5:15pm to 5:45pm
or during the week by appointment

6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass

R: A Lee; P Incer Nunez
M: Bro Lawrie; A Cloherty

9:00am Sunday Mass

R: M Gregory; W Denton
M: M Allison; M Paterson; G Moon; P Switez-Glowacz

St Joseph the Worker

8am Sunday
Reader: J Lagrosa

7:00am Sunday Mass

R: H Healey, A Trinder
M: A Rimes; G Foster

5:00pm Sunday Mass

R: D Jefferies; Y De Silva
M: G Hodgson; PJefferies; Quesada

Cleaning Roster

(This week):
L Simpson; C Caparos; M Buckman

Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries, and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount. **STOPLINE Ph: 1300 304 550 Email - AOB@stopleveline.com.au**

Second Collection	1 October 2023	8 October 2023
Planned Giving Envelopes	\$ 248.00	\$ 203.80
Loose money on plate	\$ 746.65	\$ 786.80
Direct Debit	\$ 509.00	\$ 639.00
Parish Giving App *	\$ 300.00	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 1,803.65	\$ 1,729.60

*Parish Giving App donations are divided 50/50 into 1st Collection & 2nd Collection

Parish Announcements

THE CATHOLIC LEADER This month's edition can be found available in print at the back of the GA Church for \$4.

Room for Rent

We have a male parishioner who is urgently seeking rental accommodation. If you have a granny flat/room that he could potentially rent, could you please contact Father Thomas to discuss the situation further. Thank you for your consideration.

Sacramental Preparation Family Reunion

The Parish will be hosting a reunion celebration for all of the families who have taken part in the **Sacramental Program** this year. It will be a chance to celebrate the significant milestone that the children have made in their faith journey. The program will be between **4:30pm-7:30pm on Saturday, 21st October** with games for the children, as well as wine and cheese for parents, concluding with a BBQ. If you're one of those families, make sure to RSVP! :)



Featured Parish Group

Each week we are highlighting a different group present here in the parish so that parishioners can come to know of their existence and activities. If you are interested in any of these groups, please contact the Parish Office. This week:

WELCOMING GROUP



This group consists of those in the parish who greet parishioners as they arrive for Mass on the weekends, providing a warm welcome to help us achieve our parish vision. They distribute Parish Information Packs to anyone who is new. They also serve Morning Tea and Coffee after the 9am Mass and look to organise occasional social events for the parish.

Secular Franciscans - Regional Reflection Day



Saturday 4th November 2023

Theme: The Importance of the Passion for Living the Way of Love

Leader: Fr Ray Sanchez CP
Place: The Fort 219 Fort Rd Oxley
Time: 9:30am - 4.00pm

Lunch is bring your own
Tea and coffee will be available.
Cost: \$30

RSVP: hanleyjoan0@gmail.com
by November 1st please.

We pray for their eternal rest...

We pray for eternal life for those whose remains rest in our Columbarium Walls: Denis Hickey; Angel Ynchausti; Franz Gruber; Robert Peet; Tereza Thomas, Merv Holman, Ted Richardson and those remembered in our Memorial Walls: Kathleen & Herbert Sheehan; and the deceased members of the Owens and Carmichael families.



Children's Liturgy

For children aged between Prep & Grade 3. Held every **2nd and 4th Sunday at the 5pm Mass**. Young parents and families are welcome here at Guardian Angels Parish! **Next Session: 22nd October**



Parish Announcements

St. John Bosco's relics at Guardian Angels this Thursday

The **relic statue of St John Bosco**, better known as Don Bosco, is **coming to our parish on Thursday!** This is a wonderful opportunity for us to get to know one of the Church's saints, venerate his relics, and ask for his intercession in our lives.

The relic is touring Australia as part of the celebrations of the centenary of the arrival of the Salesians on Australian soil. The Salesians are the Order that he founded in Italy in the 1800s.



Life of St John Bosco (1815-1888)

St. John Bosco, born August 16, 1815 in Becchi, Italy. He died January 31 1888. He was made a Saint by the Catholic Church April 1 1934 and his Feast Day is celebrated every year on January 31. He started the Salesian Order and was a pioneer of educating the poor and marginalised in society.

John Bosco was born during a drought and famine in a time of reconstruction, following the end of the Napoleonic Wars. His father died when he was two years old, leaving his devoutly Catholic mother to raise him and his two elder brothers in poverty as basic farmers and shepherds.

As a young boy, he saw the performance of a traveling circus troupe and began to teach himself magic tricks and acrobatics. He would gather groups of other children for his little shows and would recite a recent homily, prayer, or hymn at the end.

He felt called to the priesthood but lacked the necessary education. He eventually found a priest who helped him with some basic education, but his dream was harshly received by one of his brothers. Bosco left home at the age of 12 and worked odd jobs as a farm labourer until he came into the care of the future Saint Joseph Cafasso, who helped to further his education at the seminary and taught him about the spirituality of St. Francis of Sales.

What are Relics?

In Catholic Christianity, a relic is of immense reverence, and helps to remind individuals of the holiness of a saint, and the fulfillment of God's work through the saint. A relic can consist of anything from the bones of a saint to an object that the saint came in contact with during his or her lifetime. The relic that is visiting us is from Don Bosco's mortal remains and is encased in a life-like wax statue.

Program at Guardian Angels on Thursday

4pm: Liturgy for Welcoming the Relic
5pm: Votive Mass in honour of St John Bosco
6pm: Rosary honouring Our Lady, Help of Christians
7pm: Conclusion and blessing

In between the times of formal prayers above, there will be the opportunity for personal prayer and veneration of the relic.

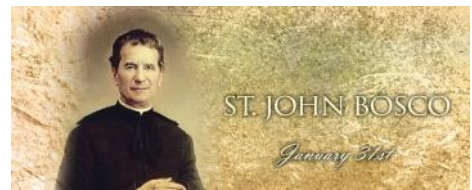
Religious Use of Relics

- A long time ago Christians began visiting sites where a holy person lived or died.
- This tradition continues today where people travel to a sacred site.
- Not everyone could easily travel to visit the sites of relics in the past, so parts of the saint or clothing owned by the saint were taken to other places so people didn't have to travel to honour the saint and pray for their help.
- Relics connect us to saints who are praying for us because of their connection to God.
- By being close to a relic it allows us to prayerfully connect with the Saint and with God.
- To venerate a relic means to show a sign of respect to a relic and say a prayer.

How to Venerate a Relic

There are many ways that you can venerate a relic:

- Touch the case that houses the relic.
- Make the sign of the cross.
- Kneel in front of the relic in prayer.
- Bow your head towards the relic.
- Quietly say a prayer to ask Jesus and John Bosco to help you, or someone you know.
- Touch a prayer card or other objects to the relic.



Multicultural Mass and Fiesta at the Parish

Dear Parishioners,

You are all invited to our Parish's Multicultural Mass and Fiesta on 5th November.

Mass is at 9am followed by a Multicultural Fiesta in the Hall afterwards.

We would like as many as possible of our various cultures to participate. Please let the Parish Office know if you would like to contribute to one of the following:

- bring food from your culture to share with us in the hall;
- read one of the Prayers of the Faithful in your language during the Mass;
- lead a hymn from your language during Mass together with others from your language group;
- share a song or dance from your culture with us in the Hall.

Do join us for a fun morning of sharing of food, music, dance and traditions.



Catholic Mission Appeal



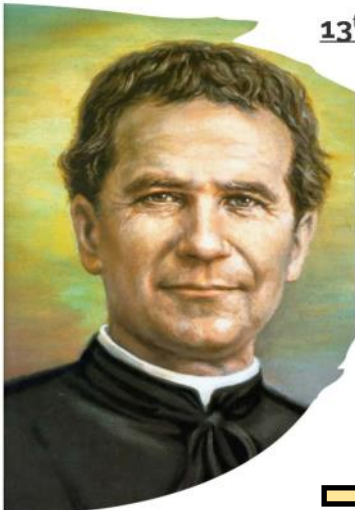
Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/timor

With Timor-Leste's fragile infrastructure, reliance on local health practices, and limited access to medical care, many health conditions only worsen, and sadly can result in death.

Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where your gift can help continue a life-saving program to help address this reality.

We hope you will take next week's opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.

ST DON BOSCO RELICS - BRISBANE VISIT



13th to 22nd October, 2023

FRIDAY 13th - Cathedral of St. Stephen
Brisbane City - 8am to 6pm

SATURDAY 14th - Stella Maris
Maroochydore - 9am to 6.30pm

SUNDAY 15th - Mary Immaculate
Annerley - 6.30am to 7pm

MONDAY 16th - Mary Immaculate
Annerley - 8.30am to 11am
and 3pm to 8.30pm

TUESDAY 17th - Holy Spirit
Bray Park - 11am to 2pm

WEDNESDAY 18th - Little Flower
Kedron - 8am to 7pm

THURSDAY 19th - Guardian Angels
Wynnum - 4pm to 7pm

FRIDAY 20th - Our Lady of Victories
Bowen Hills - 4pm to 9pm

SATURDAY 21st - Our Lady of Victories
Bowen Hills - 6.30am to 10am
and 1pm to 3pm

SUNDAY 22nd - Marian Valley Shrine
Canungra - 9am to 6pm

The Salesians of St Don Bosco are celebrating 100 years since they arrived in Australia to work in the spirit of St Don Bosco. The Relic is touring Australia to give people the opportunity to pray to St Don Bosco in a special way with the relic. Brisbane is its last stop!



Up to date information at www.stdonboscobrisbane.weebly.com

St Francis Social Christmas Dance

Save the date for an end of year Christmas Dance on **Saturday 9 December** at Our Lady of Victories Parish (29 Cintra Road, Bowen Hills)! What is the St Francis Social?

The St Francis Social is a good ol' fashion dance/social mixer for young adults aged 18 – 39, with a bit of fundraising for thrown in for good measure. All profits from our Socials (including ticket sales, drink and snack purchases) are donated to local Catholic charities doing amazing work in Brisbane.



Guided Men's Retreat - November 2023

Evangelisation Brisbane invites you to a three-day guided retreat for men this November: 'Awake, Attentive, Called'.



Evangelisation Brisbane's Adult Formation team will guide participants through the weekend-long retreat while exploring the topic of "Walking in life's garden with God: an experience of encountering and responding to God as God walks with us through life."

There will be opportunities for personal prayer and reflection, as well as time to explore the breath taking grounds of the Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre — from the views of the bay and onto Minjerribah (Stradbroke Island) to the immaculately kept gardens and prayerful outdoor meditation activities. Participants will also get the chance to meet other men walking the faith journey and take part in occasional group discussions and sharing.

Dates: 6pm Friday 24 November to 12pm Sunday 26 November
Cost: Live in individual - \$425 (includes all meals and accommodation); live out individual - \$230 (includes morning tea, lunch and dinners)

<https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/GuidedRetreatNov23>

Invitation from Star of the Sea Parish

STAR OF THE SEA 4TH PARISH MISSION

Led by Fr Ray Sanchez CP

From Sunday 22nd October to Friday 27th October 2023

There will be five (5) sessions:

1. Dealing with change in the world and in the Church. (Sun 22 Oct - Evening session only)
2. Pope Francis in a Time of Transition (Mon 23 Oct)
3. Eucharist as Communion Meal and Sacrifice (Tuesday 24 Oct)
(Wednesday 27 Oct - REST DAY - no session)
4. Transition and Solitude (Thursday 26 Oct)
5. The Church in a Time of Change & 2nd Rite of Reconciliation (Friday 27 Oct)

We conclude the Mission with a celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation.

MORNING SESSIONS: 9.15am to 12.15pm

EVENING SESSIONS: 7 to 9pm

All sessions are done in the morning and repeated that evening, with a morning Eucharist to precede the morning ones. No session on Wednesday. Tea and coffee available after the 9.15am Mass each day.

GRAB A BOOKLET FROM THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH FOR MORE INFORMATION