



St. Matthew's Catholic Church

Loganholme Parish

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Weekly News Bulletin: The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

15th October 2017—Yr A

This week's parable likens the kingdom of heaven *to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding'. Often in the Bible the rich symbolism of a wedding feast, with its abundance of wine, food and a union of love, is used to speak of God's taking final possession of his people. Here the symbol is directed not just to any wedding but to a wedding given by a king for his son.

The theme of Jesus being the son, sent by the Lord of the vineyard was the theme of last week's parable . The biblical image of the wedding feast, the traditional understanding of God as 'king' and Jesus' claims to be the one sent by God as his son, tell the reader that the presence of Jesus to his people is the moment of God's taking possession of his people.

There are so many excuses for not attending the wedding. As with the parable of the wicked vine- keepers, the king sends his servants, but they are rejected, as those invited have other interests: a farm or a business. Indeed, these other attractions are so powerful that the wedding seems to be a bit of a threat. The best way to escape this threat is to kill the messengers who bring the invitation. Once again, Israel's troubled relationship with God forms the background to the story of the servants of the king. Long have they maltreated and killed the servants, the prophets of the Lord.

But the king will always be the king. He will have the last word. Thus, his anger is roused, and the chosen guests are slain and their town is destroyed. In their place come "everyone you can find'. The wedding feast is no longer the gathering of a chosen people. It is the place where God takes possession of all peoples . The early Church, reading this story, looks back upon the destruction of Jerusalem and the beginnings of the mission of Christianity into the Gentile world as the fulfilment of this parabolic prophecy of Jesus.

But being chosen does not necessarily lead to the acceptance of the one who chose you. It is not good enough simply to be there. Someone comes in dirty clothing, symbolising a life that has undergone no change — not even for the wedding . The king approaches him and calls him 'friend', but receives no answer. This participant at the wedding has no desire to respond to the wishes of the king. He must be cast out. He has been called, but failed in his response to that call.

Today's parable echoes the controversies between Jesus and his Jewish opponents, but it leads us beyond that debate. It shows us God's gracious calling of all of us from the highways and the by-ways into the richness which his life and love can offer. But it also warns us that Christian life is a web made up of interaction between God's gracious invitation and our free response. If our response does not take God's invitation seriously, it is already the wrong response.

Fr. F. Maloney

IN OUR PARISH THIS COMING WEEK

Mon	16 Oct	Rosary in the church at 10.00am	Mass & Adoration at 7pm
Tues	17 Oct	Mass 8am followed by Rosary Craft Circle 9am-11am	(St Ignatius of Antioch)
Wed	18 Oct	Mass 8am followed by Rosary	(St Luke) Hour of Prayer 12-1pm
Thurs	19 Oct	Mass 8am followed by Rosary ARIA ANGELS 9-11am in school staff rm.	Hour of Prayer 7-8pm
Fri	20 Oct	Adoration 3-4am Mass 8am followed by Rosary	Youth mtg at 6.30pm in hall
Sat	21 Oct	Mass 8am	Vigil Mass Sat 6pm
Sun	22 Oct	Mass at 8am and 9.30am	
Sun	22 Oct	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time /Mission Sunday – Yr A Children's Liturgy on Sunday 22 Oct at the 9.30 am Sunday Mass	

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 45:1,4-6 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Matthew 22:15-21

NB: Shelagh will be away on annual leave from Mon 16 Oct until Fri 3rd Nov. (inclusive)
The parish office hours may vary during that time, however, Fr Rodrigo will be available at the office or on his mobile should you need to contact him.

Reconciliation on Saturdays from 5.30pm before 6.00pm Mass. For all other times contact Fr Rodrigo via the Parish Office on 3801 1626.

Baptisms and Weddings by appointment. Phone Parish Office 3801 1626 for Baptismal Request Form. Baptisms will be held on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 11am after the 9.30am Mass. Baptismal Preparation meetings will be arranged by Fr Rodrigo Tomala.

ST MATTHEW'S YOUTH GROUP

We encourage youth to join our group as we travel through the year ahead with our Church parishioners on a faith filled journey. We also raise needed funds in fun filled ways and socialise.

All St. Matthew's youth are invited to join this fun loving group. We meet regularly on Friday nights at 6:30pm and finish at 10pm in St. Matthew's Hall. The next meeting will be on **Friday 20th October**. Bring a plate of food to share with us all. All are welcome. **The Youth Group now has its own Facebook Page** which can be found on: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/stmattsyouthgroup/>
Why not look us up? Any queries please ring Mary on 0419 672 213

Women's Discernment Retreat

Vocations Brisbane is running a weekend retreat for young women who are keen to explore more about a vocation to religious life. All young women 18-40yrs old are welcome to come along and discover more about where God is calling you!

Date: Saturday 25th – 26th November 2017 Time: 9am Saturday - 5pm Sunday

Venue: Canossian Spirituality Centre, 169 Seventeen Mile Rocks Rd, Oxley

For more information or to RSVP contact Sr. Melissa 0484 007 508

RECIPE BOOKS: Thanks to all those who ordered a **Recipe Book** (in colour) for some of the dishes you may have sampled at the Multicultural night. These will be available from the table in the church, for you to collect and pay for (if you have not already done so) when I return from leave in Nov. I will leave the list in the church for now if anyone else would like to order one or if anyone wants to add to the recipes please send them in by email. Many thanks.

SVdP Meetings are held every second Monday night at 7pm. **Next meeting is the 23rd October.**



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

Thank you to all members of the SVdP who give of their time and talents to help others in need. If any parishioners would like to volunteer please contact Bruce Laker on Mobile 0422 845 412

FEMALE CARER REQUIRED for 1/2 to 3/4 hour each day from Friday to Monday at approx. 7.30pm for a young disable lady of 28 years old—wheelchair bound. No lifting required. Payment offered. Please phone Bruce Laker on 0411 119 631 for details.

or Email sm4129@svdpqld.org.au **Food Donations** of non-perishable goods may be left in the box provided in the church. Thanks. **Catholic Leader** For the cost \$2 you can keep up to date with Catholic news, events and people. Sale of the Catholic Leader helps to support the SVdP.

SVdP Piety Stall sells *Easter Cards. Birthday & Get Well cards* gifts, rosaries, missals and if the stall is not open please ask one of the members of the PPC for assistance.

SAFETY & CONDUCT CONCERNS

The Archdiocese encourages those who have concerns about an unsafe practice or the conduct of Archdiocesan personnel, including clerics, employees and volunteers, to raise those matters with the Safeguarding & Professional Standards Office. All communications with the Office will be treated confidentially.

Anyone who is aware of, or been effected by, the conduct by Archdiocesan personnel that may amount to a criminal offence is strongly encouraged to report the matter directly to the police. The Safeguarding & Professional Standards Office can assist in making a report to the police if requested. The Queensland Police Service can be contacted via Policelink on:

Ph: 131 444 Email: policelink@police.qld.gov.au

Our Parish Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representative is Peter King. Ph. 07 3209 8151

Parish Fundraising Maintenance contributions.

We are grateful for any loose change that can go towards the upkeep of the church.
*Your donations are much appreciated..
Envelopes are on the back table.*

*Our parish has joined in a Brisbane-wide campaign for the **100th anniversary of Our Lady's apparition at Fatima to Honour Her and to beg for Her intercession for Victory in the No campaign for the Plebiscite.** We are having an hour of prayer comprising the Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet which will be held in the Church **between 12 and 1 pm on Wednesday 18th October and on Thursday 19th October between 7-8pm** Fr. Rodrigo Tomala*

Rachel's Vineyard Healing

Retreats – Healing lives wounded by abortion

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a confidential healing ministry for the many people who have been touched by an abortion experience. Too often women and men are silenced by their abortions, and the retreats offer a safe place to express grief and to reclaim their voices in an understanding and compassionate environment. The retreats run from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon. **Brisbane Retreat for 2017 November 2017 17th – 19th** Cost: \$350 Contact: Jane 0422 172 554 Email: jane-bacc@gmail.com

Website: www.rachelsvineyard.org

YOUR PRAYERS are requested for Pope Francis, world peace, victims of abuse and persecuted Christians throughout the world.

Those Who have died: *Jean McCalu, Livia Lerkenfeldt (Kathy Nix's cousin), Anthony Tomkins, David Harbeck, Iris Pagel, Bert, Jessie Harbeck, Noreen Nye, Aline de Baritault, Gerry Fitzpatrick's mum in Scotland.*

Those Who Are Sick

Melanie, Joanna Jay, Billy Jones, Tony, Lawrence & Lenise France, Norman Bryen, , Judy Tannett, Adam Tannett (Judy's son), Annie Kelleher, Veronica Shinnick Sandra Hinchcliffe, Jeff Shephard, Liz Underwood, Gary Chapman, Darren, Deborah Wyer, Steve Casey, Anthony Tassone, Marie Gillespie, Barbara Malone, Don Janetzki, Edith Hartley, Andrew Daniels, Ralph & Noreen Grimley, Iris Hunter, Jesse Daniels, Sophie Alice French, Debbie Wills, Rosemary Bristo, Resurreccino Domasian, Tom MacNally, Helen & Barry Carter, Melinda, Steven, Rita & Patrick Summer, Greg Leahey, Patrick Kelly, Geoff Walton, Agnes McAnulty, Maibry Walton, Carmel Phillips, Kay Wieland, Janine, Teresa Ross, Arnaud Mackie, Jack Wilson, Christina Nel, Paul Newnham, Josie Gorrie, Aida MacKenzie, Monica Shepherd, Kerry Smith, Anthony Hinchcliffe, Lily Khoo, Joy Laifoo, Jennifer Laifoo, Colin Host, Tessa & Simone Watkins, , Helen Nield, Lise Mackie, Neil Ballment.

Anniversaries: *Jacob Holmes, Gert Clotworthy, Tony Berry, Gilbert Clotworthy, John Arnold, Mary Devlin, Frederick Minter, Cedric Pryer, Peter Gorrie.*

NB. *Phone or email the Parish office with any changes or note it on the list on the table near church entrance. Please ensure that you have the person's permission to publish their names in this newsletter.*

In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop 2017 National Pilgrimage The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop. **Commence Melbourne 8 November, travel through Victoria & South Australia, conclude in Sydney 18 November 2017.**

COST EX BRISBANE: \$3,265.00 all inclusive: airfares, accommodation, coach travel, admission fees and meals). **SINGLE SUPPLEMENT:** \$610.00 For further information or a Pilgrimage brochure, please contact Sr Therese Leydon 02 89124845 or Sr Annie Bond 02 89124818.

Next Weekend's Rosters

21-22 October 2017

4th Sunday of the month

Eucharistic Ministers Roster: Roster Four
Readers Roster: Roster Four
Cleaners: Team Four

WELCOME

Whether you are new or just visiting our parish we are glad you are sharing Eucharist with us today.

If you are a **new parishioner** please leave your details in the Black covered book and complete a New Parishioner blue detail form (in the book) together with a Census form and return them to the Parish Office or to Fr Rodrigo. The book and forms are on the table near the church entrance. Please make yourself known to Fr Rodrigo, our Parish Priest or one of our Parish Pastoral Councillors.

Our Parish Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representative is Peter King. Ph. 07 3209 8151

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Peter or Fr Rodrigo.

Copies of the Professional Standards & Towards Healing are available in the church & parish office.

All volunteers will be requested to attend a Safeguarding Children presentation later this year in accordance with the rules on the Archbishop. More details later.

Parish Pastoral Council

We invite parishioners to pass on your suggestions or requests to enhance the community aspect of St Matthews Parish. (Anything of a personal or theological nature please speak directly with Fr Rodrigo.) **Next Meeting Thursday 23 Nov 2017.**

St Matthew's Parish Community Service

We have a number of volunteers who are able and willing to help in areas such as visitation, shopping assistance home handyman or transportation. Please do not deny them the privilege of serving the Lord.

If you, or anyone you know, is in need of help please contact Father Rodrigo or Shelagh

by phoning 3801 1626, Thank you.

"Never see a need without doing something about it." Mary MacKillop 1871.

TWO-MINUTE HOMILIES Priests from around the Archdiocese are preparing "Two Minute Homilies" and uploading them on social media platforms on a weekly basis now. To view or listen to a podcast please visit <http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/>