

BRUNSWICK MORELAND CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



3RD MARCH 2024

MASS TIMES

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS (OLHC)

Friday 10:00am Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 9:00am **Communion Service** Wednesday 10:00am **Sacrament of Reconciliation** First Saturday: 10:30am—11:00am

ST AMBROSE'S

Thursday 10:00am Sunday 10:30am **Communion Service** Tuesday 10:00am **Sacrament of Reconciliation** Second Saturday: 10:30am—11:00am

ST JOSEPH'S

Wednesday 10:00am Sunday 9:00am & 5:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation Third Saturday:

10:30am—11:00am

ST FIDELIS

Tuesday 9:15am Friday 9:15am Saturday 6:00pm Sunday 11:00am Italian Mass: 1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:30am Sacrament of Reconciliation Fourth Saturday: 10:30am—11:00am







THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

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RECONCILIATION St Joseph's Wednesday 27 March 6:00 pm

HOLY THURSDAY 28th MARCH; MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Our Lady's	7:00 pm
St Fidelis	7:00 pm
St Joseph's	8:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY; 29TH MARCH STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St Fidelis	9:00 am
St Joseph's	10:00 am
Our Lady's	10:00 am
St Ambrose's	11:00 am

PASSION OF THE LORD

St Ambrose 's	3:00 pm
St Joseph's	3:00 pm
St Fidelis	3:00 pm

HOLY SATURDAY; EASTER VIGIL

Our Lady's7:30 pmSt Joseph's7:30 pmSt Fidelis7:30 pm

EASTER SUNDAY;

Our Lady's St Joseph's St Ambrose's St Fidelis

9:00 am *(Italian/English)* 9:00 am 10:30 am 11:00 am

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which our three parishes stand.

Third Sunday of Lent Year B

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Psalm 24:15-16

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

First Reading

Exodus 20:1-3. 7-8. 12-17

A reading from the book of Exodus

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 18:8-11. R. Jn 6:68

(R.) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

- The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. (R.)
- The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.
 The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. (R.)
- The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.
 The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. (R.)
- They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold and sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb. (R.)

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel Acclamation

John 3:16

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel

John 2:13-25

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

Communion Antiphon

John 4:13-14

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Israel believed that the temple was built over the navel of the universe, the *axis mundi*, that spot where the world above and the world below met the world of history, thus enabling the three worlds to communicate. When Jesus called himself the new temple, he was claiming to be the centre of the universe, the spot where three-way cosmic communication occurs, the presence of God in the midst of the community. When we accept him in faith, we are accepting these claims. We may profess this belief, but do our lives reflect it?

Although some consider the law a rigid set of precepts, it is really more a collection of directives that have grown out of the experience of life. To say that Jesus is the wisdom of God means that God's wisdom is made known in him and that he is the way that points to God. While laws often embody distinctive cultural values or customs, as wisdom of God, Jesus crosses cultural boundaries and breaks down cultural distinctions. As the wisdom of God, Jesus fulfils the expectations of any and all codes of law.

Both the law and the temple witness to the power of God in the lives of believers. However, both institutions pale in the light of Jesus who is identified as the power of God. This divine power is not revealed in lofty precepts or in magnificent stones, but rather in the broken and pierced body of Jesus Christ. How willing are we to accept him?

THANK YOU!

St Fidelis parish community, together with the clergy, would like to extend our gratitude and appreciation, to our Saturday evening choir members. We especially wish to thank Eira and Ezra for their leadership. Their commitment has motivated the choir to connect and contribute and have an outstanding impact on our parish Saturday liturgy. We appreciate and thank all the choir members, for their gift of music that has made an inspiring difference to our weekend worship, for the last 21 years. We look forward to their generous support of the parish, in different roles, in the future.

Fr Tran and Fr Linh

TUESDAY MEDITATION

A face-to-face session is held 3pm every Tuesday in the Spirituality room, St Ambrose Parish Centre. A zoom session is held at 7.30pm every Tuesday evening. No experience required—For more information contact Jo Bennett (0401148133; jbennett@joeb.com.au)

ST.JOSEPH'S SCHOOL ENROLMENT OPEN DAYS



Day Session: Tuesday, 12th March, 9.15am - 10.45am Night Session: Wednesday, 13th March, 7.00pm - 8.00pm

To register you interest in joining us for a school tour at either of these sessions,

Visit: bit.ly/sjopen Or call: 9385 9800



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ST.FIDELIS COMMUNITY OPEN DAYS



Sunday 17th March, 2024 12pm – 4pm

- Market Stalls including Fresh Produce, Food Family Passion Van, Village Bakery, Confectionary and plenty more!
- Children's entertainment, activities & games including Kids Salon, Duck Game and Choc Toss, Face Painting and plenty more!
- Open Day information including school tours
- Food and Beverages available

See you there!

School Tours: Bookings essential via website

Wednesday 6th March Wednesday 13th March Wednesday 20th March Wednesday 27th March

Visit us for a tour to see learning programs in action during the day, with a range of student presentations & the opportunity to visit classrooms & learning spaces. Book a tour today!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

An hour prayer before blessed Sacrament and Benediction St. Fidelis every Thursday (starting 8th February) 7:30—8:30PM

After 10am mass



STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAY'S DURING LENT (TIMES DIFFER ON GOOD FRIDAY REFER TO FRONT PAGE)

3.00pm follow by Divine mercy and Benediction

Our Lady 's

St. Joseph's :

Caritas

St. Fidelis :

7.00pm

PROJECT COMPASSION

Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for **Leaia** and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *for all future generations.* You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish foyer.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Moreland and Brunswick Catholic Community welcome with joy through the sacrament of Baptism this weekend at St.Fidelis Parish;

Ezekiel William Drevsjo Mac Louis & Oliver David Motee Leonardo Raffaele Perotta

PARISH PRIESTS

Fr Linh Pham and Fr Tho Tran

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> **St Fidelis, Moreland** 49 Clarendon Street, Coburg 3058

St Ambrose's Brunswick 287 Sydney Road, Brunswick 3056

Our Lady's East Brunswick 49 Nicholson Street, East Brunswick 3057

PRAYERS OF INTENTION

	ST AMBROSE	OLHC	ST FIDELIS	ST JOSEPH
SICK			Bill Isaac	
RECENTLY DEC'D	Kyan Portelli		Sebastiana Rizza	
ANNIVERSARIES		Leonardo lacovino	Maria Rosa Mazzeo ,Graeme Duggan Nicola Milicia, Sam Milicia, Frank Funari, Maria Schepers, Jammy Mmadike	

Please Note: We invite all Parishioners to access the newsletter via our website <u>https://bmcatholiccommunity.org.au/parish-newsletter</u> Anniversary requests or Newsletter items is required by 12pm Wednesday's.

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people, as a central and fundamental responsibility, of our parishes. The Parish Statement of Commitment and the Reporting Process, are on display in all churches, and all Parish Policies are available, on the website: bmcatholiccommunity.org.au