

15th August 2021 (Year B)

NEWSLETTER

◆ KEVIN SMITH parish priest ◆ GERRY CROOKS pastoral associate ◆ HELEN PRICE and HELEN COLE parish secretaries ◆ PAUL BLINKHOFF school principal ◆

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Is it just an assumption?

Historically, there is no actual physical evidence to support the fact that Mary was assumed into heaven 'when the course of her earthly life was finished' (Pope Pius XII's words at the proclamation of the Assumption, November 1, 1950). Yet the tradition of belief in Mary being taken body and soul into heaven dates as far back as the 4th century in writings and liturgies and in later iconography.

The word 'assumption' itself derives from the Latin verb *assumere* which means 'to take to oneself'. When we assume responsibility or make an unproven or unsubstantiated assumption, we are taking upon ourselves a certain position or stance.

But consider the 'Assumption' (capital A). Theologically, the term assumes (forgive the pun) a whole new meaning as it is used here as an affirmation of the significance of the place of Mary in salvation. Jesus 'takes to himself' his own mother Mary to be with him, body and soul – this person whose 'soul glorifies the Lord' and whose 'spirit rejoices in God my saviour' (the Magnificat from today's Gospel).

Mary personifies all God's chosen ones, her witness to faithfulness in God the embodiment of those in the Old and New Testaments identified as the 'poor in spirit' who are forever blessed in God's eyes. If Christ's resurrection, as St Paul writes in today's reading, is the 'first fruits of those who have fallen asleep', then it is clear why the Church has included Mary herself as sharing in Jesus' glorification. Her Assumption, therefore, is witness to Christ's victory over sin and death.

This extraordinary feast is clearly not about making an 'assumption' that this event happened. It is a real sign of the fulfilment of God's glory, manifested in Mary, that 'just as all die in Adam, so all will be brought to life in Christ' (1 Cor 15:22).

Gerry Crooks

Pastoral Associate

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.



Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially Edward Gleeson recently deceased and also for Bill Hanley, Robyn Ilett, Vincent Long, Muriel Jones, Sandra Swales, Margaret Turpin, John Fletcher, Gary Fletcher, Stan Grzegorzolka, Keith White, Patrick, Mary and Patricia O'Connell.



Please remember the sick in your prayers – Patricia Desbrow, Therasa Evans, Malakai Tava, Bob King, Harold O'Connell, Imelda Lewis and Nola Fletcher.

Liturgy and Prayers this Week 16 – 22 August 2021

Monday	-		-
Tuesday	-		-
Wednesday	-		-
Thursday	-		-
Friday	8.00am	St Bernard	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday	-	St Pius X	-
SUNDAY	6:00pm (Saturday) 8:00am 5:30pm		Mass: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Children's Liturgy during 8am Mass
	Readings — Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18 Ephesians 5:21-32 John 6:60-69		
Reconciliation		Saturday at 9:30am and 5:15pm	
Rosary and Angelus		Saturday before the 9:00am Mass and 5pm	
Meditation		Tuesday 4pm Convent, 50 Hawthorne Road, Hawthorne.	

DIARY DATE CLAIMERS 2021

Thursday 19 August

Playgroup meet at 9.30am

Sunday 22 August

Social Justice Group meet at 9am

Tuesday 24 August

Carer's Group meet at 10am

Wednesday 25 August

Brisbane East Deanery meeting at 7pm (St James, Coorparoo)

Tuesday 7 September

Sacrament of Confirmation 5:30pm and 7pm

Thursday 9 September

Sacrament of Confirmation 7pm

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

www.bulimbacatholic.com

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2021

CONFIRMATION (Year 3 children)

Celebration of Confirmation –

Tuesday 7 or Thursday 9 September



ATTENDING SUNDAY MASS - 'Check in QLD app' is mandatory for Places of Worship. Everyone needs to be checked in via the app. Scan the QR code shown on the flyers at the church doors. Once this is completed, please show this to the marshal on the door. *For those who do not have a smart phone, please check in with the Marshal at Mass or ask someone to check you in on their phone as a guest.* THANK YOU

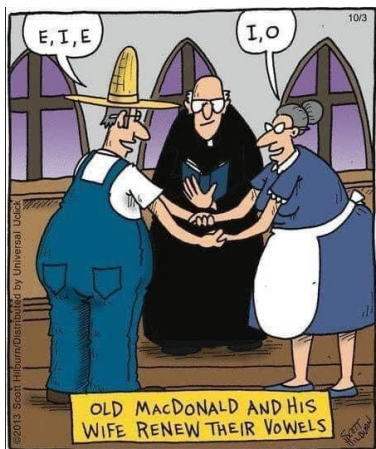
Mask wearing is mandatory indoors. Clergy and readers must wear masks while speaking. Choirs are required to keep their masks on at all times during the liturgy. Parishioners may remove their masks momentarily for reception of Holy Communion.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

- **Collection Boxes at the church doors** - cash donations
- **Tap and Go device** – pre-set to \$10 donation at the door
- **Giving App** - <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>
- **Give via direct debit or your Credit Card** - please call the parish office or find the form on the website (Quick Links)
- **Direct deposit donation to our bank account** - BSB 064 786 A/C 100016732 (Ref: surname)

CAN YOU HELP? Male person, neat, reliable and personable, of refugee-like experience currently working at Regis Aged Care facility in Bulimba is seeking offer of a granny flat or share-house accommodation close to work/public transport/walk/ride bike. Short term only (3-4 months). Can pay modest contribution of \$100 only per week. If you can help, please contact Gerry Crooks at the parish office (3399 2386).

A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us.



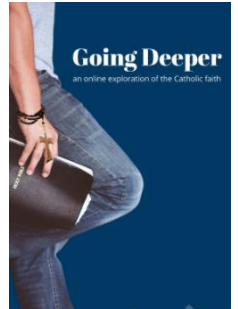
Sts Peter and Paul's School runs a **SUPPORT-A-READER PROGRAM** for students in the early years. It is designed to develop reading skills and enhance literacy acquisition and relies on volunteers from our community. Reading is conducted on the Good Samaritan Hall Veranda on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 1:50pm-2:55pm. Volunteers will need to complete mandatory training and those who aren't parents of the school will also need a Volunteer Blue Card. If you can help, please contact Mary Clarris by email mclarris@bne.catholic.edu.au or telephone the school office.

GOING DEEPER

Going Deeper is a ten-session online series about the heart of the Catholic faith. It explores different aspects of what it means to live a Catholic life. The program takes us beneath the teachings and practices and asks us to ponder, 'what is this all for?' It is at this point that we enter into the wonder and mystery of God's relationship with each of us individually and collectively.

*God is already moving in your life
God is already engaging with you
whether you're aware of it or not.*

The program, which can be undertaken at any time and at your own pace, includes interview-style core content, together with personal faith stories, forums for discussion with other participants and access to facilitators from Evangelization Brisbane's Adult Formation team. No matter your faith background or experience, **Going Deeper** might just be what you are searching for. For more information and to register, go to: www.goingdeeper.org.au



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

will be held 21/22 August. Our combined gifts can be a blessing to so many.

Our faith calls us to help one another through prayer and action. Your gift will be a blessing to struggling local families; to seminarians and retired priests, and children in our community.



2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN
Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

Sts Peter & Paul's School invites families with children in Pre-Kindy to enrol now for Prep 2023/20. Make an application for: Prep 2023 by March 2022
Prep 2024 by March 2023

For enquiries please call 3399 1281 or make an application here: <http://www.stspp.qld.edu.au/Enrolment/Pages/default.aspx>



IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

FAITH JOURNEY - *Faith Journey* is a resource from the National Centre for Evangelisation (NCE). It offers a spiritual reflection on current topics and human experiences, encouraging the reader to make sense of these in light of their own journey of faith. Recent titles include: Who buys the Bible these days; Wonder and Awe; We're inside God's story. These excellent articles can be accessed at [Faith Journey: A resource for enquirers and faith sharers - National Centre for Evangelisation, Australia \(catholic.org.au\)](http://FaithJourney:Aresourceforenquirersandfaithsharers-NationalCentreforEvangelisation,Australia(catholic.org.au))

VOCATION VIEW: A woman clothed with the sun, the moon under her feet and her head a crown of twelve stars. Hers is the most beautiful story of vocation, when Mary said, "Let it be done unto me according to they will". Can you make the choice? Please pray for Vocations. To speak to someone about your vocation, please telephone the Vocations Office on 1300 133 544.



TWO MINUTE HOMILY by priests from across the Archdiocese of Brisbane. You are able to watch this week's homily [here](#).

PLENARY COUNCIL *Fan the Flame* Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021. "His mercy reaches from age to age." (Luke 1:39-56) God is asking us to refrain from putting barriers and obstacles in the way of God's mercy reaching the least, the lost and those who feel excluded, especially those who do not yet know the love of God. God is asking us to be a Church that walks together and does not leave anyone behind. www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/

Parishes and other Catholic communities are being encouraged to participate in an ecumenical day of prayer in this time of pandemic next **Sunday, 22 August**. Australia's churches are invited to pray for local, national and global communities experiencing great need and distress caused by COVID. The theme is 'LORD HAVE MERCY'.



MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Apocalypse 11:19, 12:1-6, 10 1 Corinthians 15:20-26 Luke 1:39-56

GATHERING SONG

THIS DAY WAS MADE BY THE LORD

CHORUS

*This day was made by the Lord, let us rejoice, let us be glad
This day was made by the Lord, let us rejoice in salvation!*

I thank you, your love is eternal, you have given me life.
You have given me life. I will proclaim the wonders you do!

You opened the gates of heaven, you have given me life.
You have given me life. I will proclaim the wonders you do!

© 1988, 1989, 1990 Christopher Walker. Published by OCP Publications.
All rights reserved. Used with permission ONE LICENCE #A-621195

PENITENTIAL ACT

GLORIA

*Glory to God in the highest, and on
earth peace to people of good will.*

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us

For you alone are the holy one, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The queen stands at your right hand arrayed in gold.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Mary is taken up to heaven, and the angels of God
shout for joy.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, *(all bow)*
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to
judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life
everlasting. Amen.

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim
your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

THE FULLNESS OF GOD

Deep in Christ I pray you know the power He can give!
May your hidden self grow strong!
And may you live strong in faith and built on love...
Until you know:
How high and long, how wide and deep
The fullness of God.

May the God of Jesus Christ,
The Father we serve,
Fill your mind that you may see,
Deep in your heart what hope his call now holds for you:
His promise true:
To fill your heart with power to live
The fullness of God.

Know the way you learnt from Christ:
To live life anew!
Let your heart be drawn to Him;
Let Christ renew the hope in you
To grow into goodness and truth!
And living so you'll come to know
The fullness of God!

© Copyright 1978 Frank Anderson. All rights reserved. Used with permission
ONE LICENCE #A-621195



RECESSIONAL HYMN

HOLY VIRGIN BY GODS DECREE

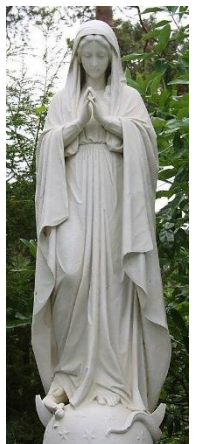
Holy Virgin by God's decree
You were called eternally
That He could give His Son to our race
Mary we praise you hail full of grace

Chorus Ave ave ave Maria

By your faith and loving accord
As the handmaid of the Lord
You undertook God's plan to embrace
Mary we thank you hail full of grace

To our needy world of today
Love and beauty you portray
Showing the path to Christ we must trace
Mary our mother hail full of grace

CCLI Song # 2641294. Jean-Paul Lecot | W. R. Lawrence © 1988 Kevin Mayhew Ltd
All rights reserved. CCLI License # 543839



Excerpts from the English translation of the Roman Missal © 2010, International
Commission on English in the Liturgy (ICEL). Used with permission.
All rights reserved.

Hosikozi
MAKING QUALITY UNIFORMS
CLOTHING COMPANY
SINCE 1988

- School Uniforms P-12
- Corporate & Work Wear
- School Shoes
- Sports Wear
- Haberdashery
- Alterations & Repairs
- Dry Cleaning

3899 3000 | 349 Riding Rd, Balmoral
sales@hosikozi.com.au
f/hosikozi | www.hosikozi.com.au

Every life is an amazing story
Write your final chapter with Alex Gow

ALEX GOW

Pre-arranged Funerals

alexgowfunerals.com.au



QBCC Lic 1197938

Miller's
PLUMBING SERVICES

Plumbing
Drainage
Maintenance
New Installations

All work guaranteed

Formally Britnell's Plumbing Service

www.millersplumbing.com 3822 2422

K.M.SMITH
FUNERAL DIRECTORS since 1883

Ph. 3252 2031

Proudly Queensland owned




Boutique Retirement Living & Caring Located In The Heart of The Gabba

For a private tour of our retirement apartments, or to discuss respite and permanent care options, call us on 3129 9075 or email stlukesgreen@greengate.com.au

43 Taylor Street, Woolloongabba
stlukesgreen.com.au

St Luke's Green
WOOLLOONGABBA

healthSAVE[®]
Norman Park Chemist

- ✦ Local Deliveries Available
- ✦ Blood Pressure Checking in-store
- ✦ Webster Packing Services
- ✦ Medication Reviews
- ✦ Mobility Aids
- ✦ Vaccination Clinic

Your Local
Chemist



OPEN 7 DAYS

Mon - Fri

7.30am - 6.30pm

Sat 8am - 4pm

Sun 9am - 2pm

154 Bennetts Rd, Norman Park | Ph: 07 3398 2798 | Fax: 07 3395 1316
normanpark@healthsave.com.au | healthsave.com.au/norman-park-chemist

LOURDES HILL COLLEGE

Inspiring young women

lhc.qld.edu.au

CRICOS PROVIDER CODE 006034




LIVE LIFE THE WAY YOU WANT

At Southern Cross Care Qld, we respect the lives and honour the unique stories of our clients because **every person matters**

southern cross care

scqld.com.au

Residential Care | Retirement Living | Community Care



At Legacy Funerals we believe that each person leaves a legacy of love and faith, to remember, to treasure, to give.

Massimo and his team of professionals have a deep Catholic faith. With 20 years of experience, let us serve you and help comfort your family.

Funeral Arrangements
Pre Arrangements & Funeral Bonds
Serving all Brisbane suburbs
24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Ph: 3447 0452
E: info@legacyfuneralsbrisbane.com.au

LEGACY FUNERALS




Holy Cross FUNERALS

An Outreach of the Catholic Church. Funerals with Faith.

For however you choose to say goodbye.

The caring staff at Holy Cross Funerals assist families at the death of their loved ones, to ensure that the Funeral Services are conducted with dignity & compassion.

- Not for profit
- Burials, Cremations
- Repatriations
- Pre-Arrangements
- Funeral Bonds

www.holycrossfunerals.com | 07 3293 0555 | info@holycrossfunerals.com Find us on f



Proud to Live & Sell Locally

Place. **P**

Contact me for your free market appraisal

Emilene Edwards
0448 093 862
emilene@eplace.com.au

