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NEWSLETTER

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The month-long Synod on Synodality assembly in Rome, convened by Pope Francis, concluded on the 28 October with members approving an ambitious text calling for greater 'co-responsibility' among all believers in the evangelising mission of the Church – and proposing concrete reforms to achieve it.

Titled 'A Synodal Church in Mission', the forty-one page summary report included notable proposals to establish new ministries for the laity, increase lay involvement in decision-making, create processes to evaluate bishops' performance of their ministry, change the way the Church discerns 'controversial' issues, and expand the footprint of synodal assemblies going forward.

"The exercise of co-responsibility is essential for synodality and is necessary at all levels of the Church", the final report stated. "Every Christian is a mission in the world."

The document also repeatedly sought to ground synodality in Scripture, tradition and the teaching of Vatican II, while also affirming the need to further develop the often misunderstood concept itself and apply it more deeply to the Church's theology and canon law.

A copy of the summary report can be found online by using the following link: [2023.10.28-ENG-Synthesis-Report_IMP.pdf \(rcadc.org\)](https://www.rcadc.org/2023.10.28-ENG-Synthesis-Report_IMP.pdf)

God bless,
Fr Kevin

We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationships 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 Camella Moretti, Raffaele Seminara, Cecily Hesse, Joaquin Jesus Bustillo Calderon **recently deceased and also for** Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, John and Joan Momot, Patrick and Clare Dugger, deceased members of Begley, Bourke, Hanly and McLachlan Families, Ross, Giuseppe and Francesca Saffiotti, Jarrett Family, John Smith, Todd Robinson, Mal Thomson, Stan Grzegorzolka and Ricardo Cabrera.



Please remember the sick in your prayers – Mary Irene Garland, Hazel Langthorne, Joy Ashworth, James Lloyd, Angela Krista, Pete Waldron, Peter Piccone, Margaret McLaughlin, Anita Xavier.

Liturgy and Prayers this Week 20 November – 26 November 2023

Monday	-	World Day of the Poor	-
Tuesday	6:30pm	Presentation of the Blessed Mary	Memorial Mass Order of Malta
Wednesday	7:00pm	St Cecilia	Mass
Thursday	-		-
Friday	8:00am	St Andrew Dung-Lac	Mass + Adoration + Benediction
Saturday	9:00am		Mass
Sunday	5:30pm(Vigil) 8:00am and 5:30pm		Feast of Christ the King
	Readings – Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 1 Corinthians 15:20-26 Matthew 25:31-46		
Reconciliation	Saturday 9:30am and 5:00pm		
Rosary and Angelus	Saturday before the 9:00am Mass		
Meditation	Tuesday 4pm at the Convent, 50 Hawthorne Road, Hawthorne.		

DIARY DATE CLAIMERS 2023

Tuesday 21 November
Order of Malta Memorial Mass – all parishioners are invited to attend

Thursday 23 November
St Vincent de Paul meet in parish hall @ 6pm

Tuesday 28 November
Carer's Group meet in hall @ 10am

Wednesday 29 November
School graduation – No Parish Mass

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

COVID REQUIREMENTS – Please continue precautions -

- *Maintain good hand hygiene.*
- *Stay home if you are sick*
- *Maintain social distancing (1.5m) in the Church.*
- *Wear a mask when in close contact with others.*

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
- **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)**

Another easy way to support the Parish is by using the Parish Giving App: <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>

Please note the **PARISH OFFICE** hours will vary from the 'usual' opening times over the next weeks as staff are on annual leave. If you need to visit, you may wish to call first and check if the office is attended. Apologies for the inconvenience.



Evangelisation Brisbane's Adult Formation team has produced a new prayer and reflection resource for Advent 2023 to help you find a few minutes each day to sit with God and prepare your heart for Christmas. Titled **WITH EXPECTANT HEARTS**, the resource guides readers to enter the new liturgical year with trust in God, through scripture excerpts from the daily Gospel readings, reflection prompts and prayer. Available in limited supply at the parish office for just \$6 per copy.

THE CATHOLIC LEADER will move to an individual subscription distribution model in 2024. Please see subscription envelopes at the Church doors.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENT You are invited to join us for a *Wine and Cheese* evening (BYO nibbles) in the parish hall on Saturday 2 December (*First weekend of Advent*) at 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

DATE CLAIMER - CHRISTMAS CAROLS – the parish is hoping to hold the annual Carols event on Tuesday 19 December and needs your support. If you are interested in being involved in any way, please contact the parish office via phone 3399 2386 or email bulimba@bne.catholic.net.au (*Further details to follow*).

A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us.
I've started telling everyone about the benefits of eating dried grapes.
It's all about raisin awareness!



**This week's goal:
Ecological Spirituality**

Consider taking a walk in the bush, along the river or on the beach and give thanks for the gift of God's creation

SOCIAL JUSTICE NEWS - the final 2023 meeting for the Social Justice group will be held at 9.30am today (Sunday 19 November) at the home of Dorothy Chapman. All new or interested members are most welcome to attend. For further details please contact Sr Gen 0417 442 919

It's time for the **VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL!**

This is our main appeal for the year and based on your generous record of giving, it will provide resources for our planned Christmas hampers and support our activities into 2024. As we did last year, please consider donating grocery gift cards (*Coles and Woolies*) or deposit funds to our bank account.



St Vincent de Paul, Bulimba
BSB 064-786
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Instead of physical gifts for children, we propose to give store giftcards (*Big W, Kmart, Target*). Our thinking is to offer gifts which enables the families we are assisting to have a choice as to how to use the giftcards in a manner which best suits their needs at this time. We believe this approach is preferable to gifting food items and toys which may not be suitable for families needs in these challenging times. The customary gifting tree will be set up at the back of the church from next weekend – 25 November. Please take a red tag and return your gift to the tree by 10 December. Alternatively, you are welcome to drop your gift to the Parish Office.

We acknowledge that it has been a difficult year financially for many families, but hope that we can still rely on your generosity and support once more to assist us to help those in need this Christmas.

THANK YOU for your wonderful and generous support.

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

CARITAS AUSTRALIA is offering a webinar **Service of Solidarity with Gaza and the Holy Land**. You are invited to come together in love, prayer and support. Monday 27 November 4.30pm-5pm AEDT. Please register in advance at https://caritas.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DWj-zzzhRoGN8QOifg61Zg

MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Readings – Proverbs 31 :10-13, 19-20, 30-31 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30

GATHERING HYMN

GLORY & PRAISE TO OUR GOD

*Glory and praise to our God,
Who alone gives light to our days.
Many are the blessings he bears
to those who trust in his ways.*

We, the daughters and sons of him
Who built the valleys and plains;
Praise the wonders our God
Has done in ev'ry heart that sings.

In his wisdom he strengthens us,
Like gold that's tested in fire.
Though the power of sin prevails,
Our God is there to save.

Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day
Our God is waiting to save,
always ready to seek the lost,
To answer those who pray.

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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

Happy are those who fear the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit. 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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and
Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION HYMN

TABLE OF PLENTY

*Come to the feast of heaven and earth!
Come to the table of plenty!
God will provide for all that we need
Here at the table of plenty.*

O, come and sit at my table
Where saints and sinners are friends.
I wait to welcome the lost and lonely
To share the cup of my love.

O, come and eat without money:
Come to drink without price.
My feast of gladness will feed
your spirit
With faith and fullness of life.



My bread will ever sustain you
Through days of sorrow and woe.
My wine will flow like a sea of gladness to flood
The depths of your soul.

Your fields will flower in fullness;
Your homes will flourish in peace.
For I, the giver of home and harvest
Will send my rain on the soil.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

Now thank we all our God,
with heart and mind and voices
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

All praise and thanks to God,
the Father now be given,
The Son and One who reigns
with them in highest heaven
Eternal three in one
whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
and shall be ever more.

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