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NEWSLETTER

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE TABLET: Input for the Synod on the Family

In England, an extraordinarily candid piece of criticism accuses the Church of being bigoted, misogynistic, controlling, judgemental, outdated and Pharisaical. These are all words taken from a published summary of responses to a consultation conducted by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales in preparation for the international synod of bishops meeting in Rome on the subject of marriage and family life.

Yet there is no cynicism among these accusations. Rather, the laity who commented are revealed as warm, generous, open-hearted and still committed to their faith. What they were criticising was the 'official' Church: the disapproving judgemental hierarchical Church as portrayed in the media. As many of them point out, this is not based on the Church as it presently is under Pope Francis, but on how it is perceived to have acted over generations.

The consultation produced a rich seam of spiritual insight and reflection. It pleads for things to change, especially regarding those who are estranged from the Church over issues of sexual ethics. A constant refrain was that the next generation of Catholics will be permanently alienated unless there is change that makes the Church a warmer home for women, for gay people, and for the divorced and remarried. They want a Church that engages with married life and its messy difficulties realistically and humanely, not one offering idealistic textbook answers.

As Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster, said at a press conference where the summary was unveiled, the depth of faith the respondents disclosed was humbling and moving. He remarked: *This family's witness to the Church is very very important, more than what the Church can teach the family.* By 'the Church', he said he meant, 'us lot', indicating the clerical platform party at the press conference. It is the *sensus fidelium* at work.

A recurrent theme was the divide between the clerical hierarchy and the laity. Putting an official stamp of recognition on that, as Cardinal Nichols did, could well be a watershed moment in the life of the Church. It establishes that the real experts on family life are those actually living it, not celibate theologians, canon lawyers and bishops.

This could have enormous consequences in issues ranging from contraception and homosexuality to married priests and even female priests. While an overwhelming number wanted the lifting of the ban on divorced and remarried Catholics receiving Holy Communion, they equally wanted the Church to promote marriage as a lifelong vocation.

If the bishops needed evidence that the laity put a high value on marriage, they have it. They also have evidence, however, that their stewardship of this priceless institution has been found seriously wanting. That is the challenge.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit; the
kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Wisdom 7:7-11 Hebrews 4:12-13
Mark 10:17-30



Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially Emily Mahony, Damian McLean, Marie-Paul Tomic and Sr Pauline Coll sgs **recently deceased and also for** Ustani Amalfi, Thomas Barry, Leoncio Rodriguez, Feliza Rodriguez, Salvador Rodriguez, Rene Schodel, Lim Sioe Lie, Norman and Katie Timmins, Norman Timmins Jnr, Daniel Timmins, Patrick Boyle, Pat Boyle, Karen Baker, Mike West, Lyons family, Dennis Duncan, Zaldy Saldariega, Erline Marshall.

Please remember the sick in your prayers – Karen



Cassady, Annabel Mahony, Leo and Paula Maher, Rory Kelly, Margaret Anne Pritchard, Lucy Gibb, Matilda Swain, Julie Wessely.

DATE CLAIMERS 2015

Monday 12 October RCIA Group meet at 7pm
Wednesday 14 October Parish Council meet at 7:30pm
Thursday 15 October Playgroup meet at 9:30am
Saturday 17 October Social Justice Forum 8:30am
Monday 19 October Prayer Group meeting 10am
Tuesday 20 October Finance Council meet at 7:30pm
Thursday 22 October St Vincent de Paul meet at 6pm
Sunday 18 October Prep Class Blessing at 8am Mass
24/25 October Liturgical Ministers in-service
Tuesday 3 November Melbourne Cup Luncheon

DATE CLAIMER - Liturgical Ministers need to know what to do, but even more, need to be filled with a sense of service to the community. In-service training session to cover what to do and support ministers in their liturgical spirituality after each mass 24/25 October for Readers and Communion Ministers.



RCIA – Please continue to support our candidates in prayer, help them by example and welcome them through our friendship. Their journey continues at 7pm Monday 12 October.

GARAGE SALE 10th YEAR - for St Francis Boys Home in Sri Lanka Saturday 31 October. We are seeking personal/household good in saleable condition such as bric-a-brac, children/baby clothes, toys/games, quality clothing, Christmas items, small furniture items, books, DVD's, CD's etc (no electrical items). The Parish Hall will be open from 7am Friday 30 October (day before the Sale) to receive donated goods. For any alternative pick-up arrangements please call Brian Wellington 0412 657 707 or Janet Mylne 0419 642 775.

ALL HALLOW'S PAST PUPILS' ASSOCIATION Annual Mass in All Hallow's Chapel, Saturday 31 October at 10:30am followed by morning tea in Loretto Hall. Bookings essential. Please see www.ahs.qld.edu.au RSVP 27 October to Lenore Thompson 3831 5632 or Lenore.Thompson@ahs.qld.edu.au Limited parking is available at the school

VOCATION VIEW – The rich young man desires to live a virtuous life. It requires letting go of what gets in the way of following Jesus wholeheartedly. You can let go, too! Pray for vocations. To talk to someone about your vocation, please contact the Vocation office on 3336 9392 or vocation@bne.catholic.net.au or www.catholicpriesthood.com



HUMOUR – Expert on Parenting

The following is a true story written by an educational psychologist and her experience on a plane.

On a flight to Florida, I was preparing my notes for one of the parent - education seminars I conduct as an educational psychologist. The elderly woman sitting next to me explained that she was returning to Miami after having spent two weeks visiting her six children, 18 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren in Boston. Then she inquired what I did for a living. I told her, fully expecting her to question me for free professional advice. Instead she sat back, picked up a magazine and said, "If there's anything you want to know, just ask me."

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The **SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP** with the Archdiocesan Justice and Peace Commission will host a forum **"The Truth About Refugees and Asylum Seekers: Demystifying the Myth. What can we do?"** on this year's

Social Justice Statement - *For Those Who've Come Across the Seas: Justice for refugees and asylum seekers.* 8:30am-3:30pm. Saturday 17 October, Parish Hall To register please see <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-truth-about-refugees-and-asylum-seekers-demystifying-the-myth-what-can-we-do-tickets-17964630694>

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON –

Sts Peter and Paul's Parish Hall, Tuesday 3 November, morning tea at 10am. Sweeps \$2 and \$5 Fancy Goods Stall, Lucky Door Prizes, Drawing the Raffle, Wide screen viewing of the Melbourne Cup. Tickets \$50 are available from Lourdes Hill. Please contact Sr Mary Randle. It would be wonderful to have tables of eight to make the day a bonanza.



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPE SETS ARE READY TO BE COLLECTED at the rear of the church. If you would like to join our Planned Giving Program, fill in the red brochure and leave on the clipboard and collect your envelopes next week.

LOURDES HILL COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL MASS

in Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel. 10am Saturday 7 November followed by morning tea. For more detail please phone Loreto 0412 769 708 or Marilyn 0422 854 737.



YOU ARE INVITED to the Anglican Roman Catholic **RECONCILIATION DAY SERVICE**, St John's Cathedral, 373 Ann Street, Brisbane. 6pm Monday 2 November. All welcome

THE AUSTRALIAN CHRISTIAN MEDITATION COMMUNITY

Join us for a day of silent prayer, quiet meditation and reflection at The Fort, Oxley on Saturday 17 October from 9:30am. Phone Gabby for enquiries on 3711 4227.

OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS - Communities in East Timor, Ethiopia, Kenya, Kiribati, PNG, Samoa and elsewhere require volunteers to assist/mentor local workers to help poverty reduction. They believe this approach promotes self-reliant, sustainable development. Palms Australia recruit, prepare and support those who volunteer. palms@palms.org.au or (02) 9518 9551.



WORLD MISSION APPEAL (weekend 24/25 October)

The Gospel for this weekend is challenging, "Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven, then come follow me." Missionaries like Sr Alma, who serves in Halls Creek, a remote part of the Broome Diocese, knows that the people she serves may not have a lot but they do have an uncomplicated faith, grounded in local culture and spirituality. When we give to Catholic Mission, we are building the Kingdom, here on earth. We are giving to God...and with God, "everything is possible".

PARISH ROSTERS NEXT WEEK

Readers, Communion Ministers, Sacristans and Altar Servers

Team 3 - please arrange a substitute if you are not available.

Children's Liturgy Roster

11 October – Kerry Pontikis, Toni Barwick and Vivienne Thompson

18 October – Sonya Strutton, Jenny Barends and Liz Xerub

25 October – Judith Vickers and Faye Goodyear

Hospitality Roster

18 October – Kevin and Natasha McCarthy, Nils Telle

1 November – Barbara Schol, Brett and Amelia Robinson

Casserole Bank

Week 2 – Contact Erica Wilcox

+ Liturgy this Week 12 October – 18 October 2015

MONDAY	7:00am		Mass
TUESDAY	-		-
WEDNESDAY	7:00pm		Mass
THURSDAY	9:00am	St Teresa of Jesus	Reconciliation with Year 6 Blue
FRIDAY	8:00am		Mass
SATURDAY	9:00am	St Ignatius of Antioch	Mass
SUNDAY	6:00pm (Saturday), 8:00am and 6:00pm		Mass: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Children's Liturgy of the Word at 8:00am Mass
	<i>Readings – Isaiah 53:10-11 Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-45</i>		

OTHER LITURGY AND PRAYER

RECONCILIATION	Saturday at 9:30am and 5:00pm
MEDITATION	Tuesday at 7:00pm (Lourdes Hill Convent) and Wednesday at 9:30am (Parish Hall)
ROSARY for peace	Saturday before 9:00am Mass
ANGELUS for vocations	Saturday before 9:00am Mass

ENTRANCE HYMN

HERE I AM, LORD.

DAN SCHUTTE S.J.

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright,
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

*REFRAIN Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord. If you lead me,
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them, whom shall I send?

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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.

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.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
We proclaim your death O Lord until you come again.

COMMUNION HYMN

SHEPHERD ME O GOD

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
Beyond my fears, from death into life,
death into life, death into life.



God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
You lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,
My spirit shall sing the music of your Name.

Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,
Your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.

You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred,
Crowning me with love beyond my power to hold.
Surely your kindness and mercy follow me
All the days of my life:
I will dwell in the house of my God forever more.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

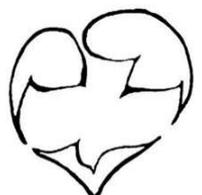
A NEW HEART FOR A NEW WORLD

Trisha Watts/Monica O'Brien

REFRAIN

*Create a new heart, Holy Lord,
beckon our lives through your word,
open our eyes to your call,
united as one for your world.
Heighten our minds to your thoughts,
Heal us of pride and of hurt,
may we go forth in your name
we pray our hearts change.*

The heart of the cross,
lowly and poor, calls us on.
Lord, it is you promising hope,
promising truth.



Restless,
the hearts who yearn for your peace in this land.
Deepen the dream justice brings life,
justice redeems.

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