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# NEWSLETTER

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## Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### VISIT OF SR MARY FRANZMANN



Last Wednesday evening, Sr Mary came to Bulimba to talk to those who prepare our parents for the baptism of their children. These people have an extraordinary ministry in our parish, quietly and unobtrusively, at the forefront of preaching the Gospel. They share their experience of living the role of Christian parenthood, gently encouraging and challenging the parents in the task that lies ahead after the baptism of their children.

Mary's presentation was gentle and reflective, but offered real food for thought. She spoke of God's gift. The baptism of infants too young to understand speaks most powerfully of the primacy of God's love, even before any response of faith is possible on our part. She spoke of a primordial memory that we have been kissed by God from the first moment of our existence. We recognise that we are beloved of God. How can we help parents to recognise the gift of God's grace at work in the life of their child and in their own?

She quoted Michael Downey: *A baptismal spirituality is a whole way of life wherein we learn to lean into the word of God, to find a lamp for our feet, so that we can behold the gift that is always and everywhere being offered. It is a whole way of*

*life. This is prayerful living. A way of being held in the knowledge that all I am and all that I have is first and finally gift. Prayer is a way of living with, in and from that gift all the time.*

So we do not come to faith by our own effort. God always takes the initiative and makes the first move. Our whole spiritual lives consist in our response to God's initiative. Attentiveness to the Spirit enable us to make full use of this great gift of God. Our Baptism is therefore the whole hinge upon which our Christian identity turns.

God's gift is not primarily given for our personal salvation. It is to help us carry out God's mission in the world. This is a communal task. We are baptised to be part of the work of the Body of Christ, the Church which marks out the way of the Gospel in the world. We preach the Good News by the example of our lives, as we embrace the way of peace and justice.

A valuable and profitable evening!



Parish Priest



#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

The Lord is near to all  
who call him.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
Open O Lord, open our hearts,  
to listen to the words of your Son;  
Open our hearts, O Lord. Alleluia,  
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Isaiah 55:6-9 Philipians 1:20-24  
Matthew 20:1-16



**Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially** Karen Hegarty, George Marsh, John Conde, Imelda McInerney, Nichole Englart and Ligaya Rodriguez **recently deceased and also for** Peter Begley, Rodolfo Sarmiento, Norman and Katie Timmins, Norman Timmins Jnr, Daniel Timmins, Patrick Boyle, Pat Boyle, Karen Baker, Mike West, Marie, Percy, Keith and Phyllis Thatcher, Dennis Duncan, Keith White, Leocio Rodriguez, Elizabeth Navratil, Members of the Maletz and Malone Families, George and Mary Allen.

**Please remember the sick in your prayers** – Ross Saffioti, Pat Colley, Tom Nagy, Del O'Dwyer, Noel Nicholson, Matilda Swain, David McKeon, Stan Grzegorzolka and Debbie Simeon.



**DATE CLAIMERS 2014**

**Monday 22 September** Capital Campaign meeting 7:30pm  
**Tuesday 23 September** Carer's meeting 10am in the Hall  
**Thursday 25 September** St Vincent de Paul meeting 6pm  
**Sunday 28 September** Social Justice Group meeting 9am  
**Wednesday 8 October** Readers meeting 7:30pm with Trish Stapleton  
**Wednesday 12 November** Children's Liturgy Meeting 7:30pm with Sr Mary Franzman

**INVITATION TO MINISTRY** We would like to invite you to take part in a liturgical ministry in the parish. You will be on a monthly roster and it will deepen your participation in the life of the parish. **Let us know at the office!** We have ministry formation sessions prepared for existing and new ministers:

- **Readers**, 8 October 7:30pm with Trish Stapleton.
- **Children's Liturgy of the Word**, 12 November 7:30pm with Carole Danby.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES** for the next year **ARE READY TO BE COLLECTED** at the rear of the church. If you would like to **join our Planned Giving Program** please fill in the red brochure and leave on the clipboard at the rear of the church and your box of envelopes will be available next week to collect.



**STS PETER AND PAUL'S MUSIC TRIVIA NIGHT** Join us for a fun night as our Trivia Host and Live Band take you on a musical journey through the ages. Saturday 11 October at 7pm, Good Samaritan Hall. Adults only event. BYO food and drink. Cost \$15 per person booked in tables of 8 or 10. Bookings can be made via [www.trybooking.com/100900](http://www.trybooking.com/100900). Any questions or queries please email Chrissy Quinn at [cquinn@y7mail.com](mailto:cquinn@y7mail.com).

**SUPPORT A READER PROGRAM** at Sts Peter and Paul's School for students in Years 2 and 3 to develop reading skills and enhance literacy acquisition. The success of the program relies upon volunteers and will recommence next term on Tuesday 14 October and run for 8 weeks. If any parishioners are interested in volunteering and available on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 1:55pm-2:55pm, please contact Mary Clarris on 3399 1281 or [mclarris@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mclarris@bne.catholic.edu.au).



**FOR SALE** – Electric 4 bay "Bain Marie" Food Box. Reasonable condition. Please contact the parish office.

- HUMOUR** – Everything you need to know about life from Noah's -
- One: Don't miss the boat.
  - Two: Remember that we are all in the same boat.
  - Three: Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.
  - Four: Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.
  - Five: Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.
  - Six: Build your future on high ground.
  - Seven: For safety's sake, travel in pairs.
  - Eight: Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.
  - Nine: When you're stressed, float a while.
  - Ten: Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.
  - Eleven: No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE FORUM** on this year's Social Justice Statement will be held in the Parish Hall, **Wednesday 15 October at 7:30pm**. The theme is 'A Crown for Australia: Striving for the Best in Our Sporting Nation'. Discussion will centre around the good of sport, dark side of sport and sport and the spirit. Guest speakers include –



**Wally Lewis** (Rugby League Champion and newsreader), **Bruno Cullen** (ex CEO of the Broncos), **Tony Currie** (former Bronco, Qld State of Origin player and Kangaroos player), **Gary Brown** (former Commonwealth Games Gold Medal Athlete, teacher at Iona), **Sally Callie** (former World Record holder in rowing, current triathlete and teacher at Brisbane Girls' Grammar School). The night will take the form of a short talk by each speaker, addressing the issues raised in the Bishops' Statement and answering questions from the audience. All most welcome.

**ROSARY – Tuesday 7 October is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.** We will gather at 9am next to the Statue of Our Lady near the Parish Hall to recite the Rosary. Please join us.

**ST STEPHEN'S CATHEDRAL CONCERT SERIES** presented by the Cathedral Schola with the Cathedral Choir. Sunday 21 September at 4pm in St. Stephen's Cathedral. For further information call 3720 0514

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN COLLECTION** Thank you to everyone who contributed to this special collection last weekend. Your generosity is appreciated.

**VOCATION VIEW** The Kingdom of Heaven is built by mutual cooperation, not competition. Work together to build the Kingdom, regardless of when God calls. Pray for vocations. To speak to someone about your vocation, please telephone the Vocations office on 3336 9203



**Australian Christian Meditation Community Qld** Invites you to join us for a **QUIET DAY** "Meditation is entering into the presence of the One who is. It's in the presence of the One who is that each person learns to be. To hear the call to be the person we are called to be." (John Main) 18 October 9:30am–2:30pm. BYO lunch The Fort. 199–219 Fort Road, Oxley. Suggested donation \$10 Please bring cup/mug for your use. Queries to Johanna Lawrence. [Johanna1@optusnet.com.au](mailto:Johanna1@optusnet.com.au) Ph-3314 1404 or 0432 327 666. The day will include meditation, teaching, quiet times, and more

**REGINA CAELI OVER 50'S CLUB BUS TRIP** 8am Wednesday 1 October. Currumbin Rock Pool with lunch at Tweed Heads Golf Club. BYO morning tea. Cost \$40. Phone Leila on 3397 1545 or 0407 971 545.



**PARISH CHRISTMAS CAROLS** Friday 19 December - Planning meeting to be held on Tuesday 28 October at 8:45am in the Parish Board Room. If you are interested in joining the committee to help organise this great event for the parish then please come along.



**NO PARKING** please on the paved area in front of the church

**PARISH ROSTERS NEXT WEEK**

**Readers, Communion Ministers, Sacristans and Altar Servers**  
**Team 4** - please arrange a substitute if you are not available.

**Hospitality Roster**  
**5 October** – Lisa Kelly and Carly Vidal-Wallace.  
**19 October** - Kevin McCarthy, Brenda Hawke and Sussanah Morisaki.

**Casserole Bank Roster**  
**Group 3** – Please contact Maree Meier

**+Liturgy this Week** 22 September – 28 September 2014

MONDAY	7:00am		Mass
TUESDAY	-	St Pius of Pietrelcina	-
WEDNESDAY	7:00pm		Mass
THURSDAY	9:00am		Mass
FRIDAY	8:00am		Mass
SATURDAY	9:00am	St Vincent de Paul	Mass
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>6:00pm(Sat); 8:00am; 6:00pm</b>		<b>Mass: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<i>Readings – Ezekiel 18:25-28 Philippians 2:1-11 Matthew 21:28-32</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	Friday and Saturday before 9:00am Mass

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

**CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT**

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
 Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
 Make us your own, your holy people.  
 Light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
 Shine through the darkness.  
 Christ, be our light!  
 Shine in your church gathered today.*



Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
 Longing for hope, many despair.  
 Your word alone has pow'r to save us.  
 Make us your living voice.

Many the gifts, many the people.  
 Many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
 Let us be servants to one another,  
 Making your kingdom come.

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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**

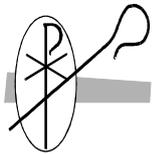
**THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD**

BRIAN BONIWELL

The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow,  
 Wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.  
 Over the mountains, the waters and by-ways,  
 Valleys and highways, he's waiting for me.

I want to go to meet him there,  
 To lay myself down in his love.  
 The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow,  
 Wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.

And while on the journey to where we are going,  
 He promised to be there to help us along,  
 Over the mountains we'll walk on together,  
 To know all the wonders he's given to me.



I want to go to meet him there,  
 To lay myself down in his love.  
 The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow,  
 Wherever he leads me, wherever he goes

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**RECESSIONAL HYMN**

**BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM**

You are salt for the earth, O people:  
 Salt for the Kingdom of God:  
 Share the flavour of life, O people:  
 Life in the Kingdom of God.

***CHORUS***

*Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,  
 Bring forth the Kingdom of peace:  
 Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,  
 Bring forth the City of God.*



You are a seed of the Word, O people:  
 Bring forth the Kingdom of God:  
 Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,  
 Grow in the Kingdom of God.

CHORUS

We are a blest and a pilgrim people:  
 Bound for the Kingdom of God!  
 Love our journey and love our homeland:  
 Love is the Kingdom of God!

CHORUS

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