

REGULAR WEEKEND MASS LOCATIONS

St. Mary's Church, Woodend
1B Elizabeth Street, Woodend 4305.
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Leichhardt
22 Old Toowoomba Road, Leichhardt 4305.
St. Joseph's Church, North Ipswich
42 Pine Mountain Road, North Ipswich 4305.
St. Brigid's Church Hall, Rosewood
Railway Street, Rosewood 4340.
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, E/Heights
33A Robertson Road, Eastern Heights 4305.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Parish Office Hours
Monday to Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm
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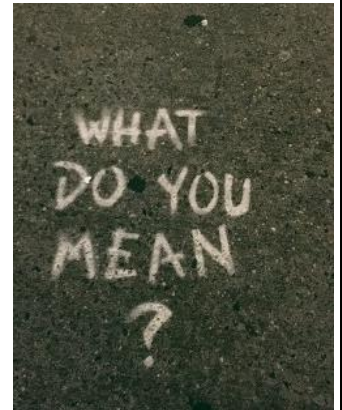
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

7th July 2024

Dear Parishioners,

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE? This question is not always posed in a spirit of light-heartedness. It could be hurled at someone in indignation. This indignation might be justified; the other could be assuming an unwarranted attitude of superiority. However, the fault could be our own. We might resent another's genuine insight or unquestionable wisdom. There seems to be within some of us a sense of inferiority that is threatened by the abilities of others - as if their talents diminish those who feel inferior. And what do we do about this?



We might ignore such an individual, implying that she or he has nothing that interests us. This probably happens more often than we like to admit. Or we might try to embarrass the person, thus lowering the individual in the estimation of others. This is how some people depicted in the Gospel passage acted toward Jesus.

Prophets are not people who only look into the future. Such people are called seers. Genuine prophets have insight into the present, understanding the implications of the social forces that are operative and the challenge they might pose to religious traditions. That's why they are so often resented. We see this attitude in the passage from Ezekiel. God sent him to a rebellious people to call them to repentance. Chances are, this did not make him popular. It also did not make Jesus popular with some. So often we applaud people who have religious insight - unless we know them well. Then we may think, You're no better than the rest of us. Who do you think you are?

Do you appreciate the insights of others, even when they challenge your own? Who do you think has insight into today's chaotic world? Why?

As I have asked previously on many occasions, if you have ideas on how we might strengthen our faith community, please ring the Parish Office and come share a coffee. Have a great week,

Stephen ofm

A Word From Pope Francis



" We would...like to believe in a 'special effects' God who does only exceptional things and always provokes strong emotions. Instead, brothers and sisters, God incarnated Himself: God is humble, God is tender, God is hidden, he draws near to us, living the normality of our daily life.

ANGELUS, ROME, JULY 4, 2021

PARISH CALENDAR

THIS WEEKEND		NEXT WEEK	
Fri 5	9:00am Mass, Miraculous Medal Church, Eastern Heights	Mon 08	9:00am Mass, St Mary's Church, Woodend
Sat 6	4:30pm Mass, Immaculate Heart Church, Leichhardt	Tues 09	9:00am Mass, Immaculate Heart Church, Leichhardt
	4:30pm Reconciliation, St. Mary's Church, Woodend		3:30pm Junior Choir Practice, St. Mary's Church, Woodend
	5:30pm Mass, St. Mary's Church, Woodend		8:30am Rosary, 9:00am Mass, 9:30am Adoration, St Mary's
Sun 7	6:00pm Mass Miraculous Medal Church, Eastern Heights	Wed 10	9am Mass, St. Brigid's, Rosewood
	7:30am Mass, St. Joseph's Church, North Ipswich		10:00am Prayer Group, St. Clare Room, Parish Office
	8:00am Mass, St. Brigid's Parish Hall, Rosewood	Thurs 11	9.00am Mass, St. Mary's Church, Woodend
9:00am Mass, St. Mary's Church, Woodend	9.00am Mass, Year 4, St. Joseph's Church, North Ipswich		
	10.30am Baptisms, St. Mary's Church, Woodend		6.00pm Mass, St. Boniface Church, Marburg
	5:30pm Mass, St. Mary's Church, Woodend	Fri 12	9:00am Mass, Miraculous Medal Church, Eastern Heights
			9.00am Mass, Sophia College Foundation Mass
			5.30pm Connect Youth Leaders Meeting



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PARISH PRAYERS

Recently Deceased: Jennifer West, Ronald Wegener, Roger Lenton

Anniversaries: Monica Brown, Joe Matthews, Marjorie Byrne, Barbara Kopelke, Frank Nolan, Irene Nolan, Fred Wanstall, Noel Long, Muriel Daley, Vic Wilkinson, Alex Elmore, Graham Lawton, Brian Lawton, Brian Person, Ray Dickfoss, Sam Dickfoss, Adam Smith, and for those in our Book of Life.



SACRAMENTS | FORMATION | LITURGY

Are you (or do you know someone who) is interested in becoming Catholic?

Contact the Parish Office.

www.ipswichcatholic.com/ministries/becoming-catholic/



MASS READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Yr B

1st Reading	Amos 7.12-15
Psalm	85
2nd Reading	Ephesians 1.3-10
Gospel	Mark 6.7-13

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS



SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST IN 2024

Baptised children in grade 4 or above

If you haven't enrolled your child, please use the link below.

ENROLMENT LINK - ipswichcatholic.com/children

08/07/2024 Enrolments close
14/07/2024 Sunday - Formation Workshop (St. Mary's Church)
Further details available following enrolment

3rd August Celebrating the Sacrament at Weekend Masses
4th August

CONNECT YOUTH

ICC Junior Choir

Look at how we've grown!

The children in the Ipswich Catholic Community Junior Choir led the music at the 9:00am mass on Sunday 23rd July and sang like angels. They persevered through some microphone issues like seasoned professionals and kept smiling...absolute stars! We will resume rehearsals on Tuesday the 9th July at 3:30pm. New members would be most welcome!

Contact Kathy at music@ipswichcatholic.au for more information.



CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK MASS Sunday 21st July 9am Mass, St. Mary's Church Presider – Archbishop Mark Coleridge

Catholic Education Week is from 21st to 27th July. The theme is 'Communities of Faith, Hope & Love'. This is another great celebration by our Parish community and our 6 schools and colleges. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will be joining us.

Celebrations will continue with a BBQ after Mass on the Parish Oval behind the Parish Centre.

EVERYONE FROM ALL OUR CHURCHES AND COMMUNITIES ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE WITH US!



MINISTRY FOR YOUNG CHILDREN – ATRIUM UPDATE

Term 3 in the Atrium will begin on the week of August 5th.

We look forward to welcoming children into this sacred space, a space for listening to the still small voice of God, a space for working with materials that assist in pondering God’s Word in Scripture and God’s action in the liturgy.

A place for responding to God with thanks and praise for God’s goodness. While the Atrium is a particular place of encounter with God, we encourage the children to seek God’s goodness in their lives through the beauty of God’s creation. Encourage your child to make time to recognise the gifts of God that surround us in our daily life.

Learn more and register your child at <https://ipswichcatholic.com/faith-in-action/formation/the-atrium/> Bernadette and Karen.



NEWS & UPDATES

Parish Office Carpark - The trees in the gardens around the carpark are damaging gutters and bitumen, so are being replaced with smaller more suitable trees. This work will occur over the next few weeks.



COMBINED COLLEGES MUSICAL - 11, 12, 13 July 2024, Ipswich Civic Centre. For more than two decades, St. Mary’s and St. Edmund’s Colleges have consistently delivered outstanding Combined Colleges’ Musicals.

This year, St. Mary’s College proudly presents Disney and Cameron Mackintosh’s Mary Poppins the Broadway Musical. Bringing to life the enchanting tale of the Banks family, whose lives are transformed by the magical arrival of the practically perfect and whimsically mysterious Mary Poppins. Purchase tickets using this link: <https://shorturl.at/mWJvu>

Computer Operators

Would you like to be more involved in the parish community or are you looking to meet new people? Are you happy with working behind the scenes?

We are in need of computer operators at several of our weekend Masses. This is such an important role during Mass and works on a roster, so you get to choose dates and Masses that suit you. Computer experience is required, and training will be provided by one of our other computer operators. We normally do this by pairing new volunteers with an existing computer operator until they are ready to go solo. You will be fully supported in this role.



Please speak with the Coordinator at your Mass to let them know you are interested and want to become a part of this important ministry.

Saturday	4:30pm Mass, Immaculate Heart Church, Leichhardt 5:30pm Mass, St. Mary’s Church, Woodend 6:00pm Mass Miraculous Medal Church, Eastern Heights	Kevin Bianchi Yvonne O’Brien Kathy Matthew
Sunday	7:30am Mass, St. Joseph’s Church, North Ipswich 8:00am Mass, St. Brigid’s Parish Hall, Rosewood 9:00am Mass, St. Mary’s Church, Woodend 5:30pm Mass, St. Mary’s Church, Woodend	Maree Coyne Bernadette Lenihan Bernadette McAndrew Jan Allery

ECUMENICAL INTERRELIGIOUS INITIATIVE PRESENTATION WITH MARGARET NAYLON

You are invited to a free presentation on Saturday 13 July from 9:30am to 12 noon in the Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre, 196 Charlotte Street, Brisbane.

“The credibility of the Christian message would be much greater if Christians could overcome their divisions... We must never forget that we are pilgrims journeying alongside one another.” (Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium* #244, 2013)

“Interreligious dialogue is a necessary condition for peace in the world, and so it is a duty for Christians as well as other religious communities.” (Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium* #250, 2013)

How do these words of Pope Francis speak to you as a Catholic in 2024?

For more information and to Register visit: www.tinyurl.com/AGC-July24

Synodality Speaker Series

Synodality: Our journey together

How can synodality help us to work together as a co-responsible church on mission? How can we begin being a more synodal church, in our own parish and as an Archdiocese? As pilgrims of hope, let's walk the journey of synodality together by exploring what the word "synodality" means, its history, and what it looks like to be a synodal church on mission.

July 31st 6:30pm - 7:30pm (light refreshments from 6:00pm)

Presenter: Fr David Pascoe

**Location: St Mary's Catholic Church
1B Elizabeth St, Woodend**



KEEP THE FIRE BURNING STRONG IN FAITH

"We pray for the First Peoples of Australia and the Torres Strait, that this week's NAIDOC celebrations will stir them to 'Keep the fire burning' and stay 'Blak, loud and proud.' Let us pray to the Lord. Amen."



NAIDOC WEEK 7 - 14 JULY: National NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia in the first week of July each year (Sunday to Sunday), to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth.

You can support and get to know your local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities through activities and events held across the country. For all information go to:

<https://www.naidoc.org.au/about/naidoc-week>