

# Catholic Parish of Blackiriars



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## VERITAS



# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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#### Mass Times

Monday - NO Mass

Tuesday & Thursday  
8.00am

Wednesday & Friday  
5:30pm

Saturday - 9:00am  
Vigil - 5:pm

Sunday - 8:00am, 10:00am,  
5:00pm

#### Reconciliation

Saturday  
4pm - 4.45pm

Adoration - Holy Hour  
Friday's 6pm - 7pm

Pray the Rosary

Before 10am Mass on Sundays



PARISH BULLETIN - DEADLINE for notices is  
**NOON TUESDAY**

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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Ps 95: 1, 6**

O sing a new song to the Lord;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
In his presence are majesty and splendour,  
strength and honour in his holy place.

## FIRST READING

**First reading - Isaiah 8:23-9:3**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations.

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone. You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase; they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils. For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor – these you break as on the day of Midian.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 26(27):1,4,13-14**

***The Lord is my light and my salvation.***

The Lord is my light and my help;  
whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
before whom shall I shrink?

There is one thing I ask of the Lord,  
for this I long,  
to live in the house of the Lord,  
all the days of my life,  
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,  
to behold his temple.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness  
in the land of the living.  
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.  
Hope in the Lord!

***The Lord is my light and my salvation.***

## SECOND READING

**Second reading - 1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul', 'I am for Apollos', 'I am for Cephas', 'I am for Christ.' Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the

Cont...Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Gospel Acclamation - Matthew 4:23**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
and healed all who were sick.  
Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

**Gospel - Matthew 4:12-23**

The holy Gospel according to Matthew

Hearing that John had been arrested, Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

*'Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali!  
Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan,  
Galilee of the nations!  
The people that lived in darkness has seen a  
great light;  
on those who dwell in the land and shadow  
of death  
a light has dawned.'*

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him. Going on from there he saw another pair of brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they were in their boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. At once, leaving the boat and their father, they followed him.

He went round the whole of Galilee teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**Communion Antiphon is NOT recited when hymns are sung.**

**Communion Antiphon - Cf. Ps 33: 6**

Look toward the Lord and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.

## CENTRED ON CHRIST



A notable feature of St Paul's writings is that they give us a good sketch of what early Christian communities were like.

There is a belief though that these communities were a part of a golden age of Christianity and that all was filled with joy and light

Unfortunately this was not true as we can observe from our second reading from First Corinthians.

Paul had received news of factionalism within the community and he addresses this problem in today's section of first Corinthians chapter one. What were the reasons for this issue?

Corinth was a [city-state \(polis\)](#) and was located on the [Isthmus of Corinth](#), the narrow stretch of land that joins the [Peloponnese](#) to the mainland of [Greece](#), roughly halfway between [Athens](#) and [Sparta](#). It was home to a reasonably cosmopolitan demographic and therefore people from various strata of society were intrigued by the relatively new Christian message. Paul visited Corinth for the first time in around 49 AD 13 yrs after the Ascension of the Lord.

Because of Corinth's fairly sophisticated and urban society a variety of ideas and philosophical approaches to life abounded in that fairly lively environment. The reason for such factionalism may have occurred because of this, as one commentator has pointed out;

*It is hardly surprising that the Christians at Corinth were a divided community; there were so many different levels of employment and wealth, financiers, dockers, tent-makers, administrators and many others in that town with its double port, its booming trade, its biennial games and supporting trades. Paul shows us that there were also cliques claiming different personal loyalties. Some claimed to be Paul's own followers. Apollos was a Jew from Alexandria and a notable orator; perhaps he had the intellectual following. Cephas is the Aramaic name for Peter; his following may have been Christians sprung from Judaism who wanted to keep their Jewish practices in food, circumcision and Sabbath-observance. Paul will have none of this party politics, one group hurling slogans at another. They would not even come together as a genuine community at the eucharist. Paul had baptised people to be not his own followers but followers of Christ. Later in the letter he will explain that Christians must form a single organic body, all working together in harmony, each with a special task and special gifts, but all contributing to the well-being of the whole. This is his basic vision of the Christian body, all living with the one life of Christ.*

The fundamental task then of the Christian community is to be Christ focused not focused necessarily on causes, personalities or political beliefs. The gauge of any thought, personality or cause must be firmly held up to the teachings of Jesus to affirm their validity. Today let us pray for unity in our Church communities realising that we need to make our communities centred on Jesus rather than on ourselves and our own ideologies. Rather in sharing our talents and our lives may we witness to Christ more authentically and more courageously.

God love you all. You're all in my prayers.  
Fr Mannes OP

## THOUGHTS ON THE GOSPEL

'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.'  
'Jesus doesn't offer them a career, as carpenters, soldiers or tax collectors. He isn't offering them exciting new love affairs, or friendships unencumbered by the weight of failure and misunderstanding.'  
'The call to follow establishes a relationship between what the disciples are now, and what they are to become. Their ordinary work, drawing sustenance from the darkness of the sea, becomes a sign of a deeper reality, drawing men and women from the darkness of sin and death, into the torrent of wind and flame manifested at Pentecost.'

"Grace does not take us from one identity to another, but opens out a new and surprising depth of identity in the life of God. The disciples then leave everything behind not to escape, but to discover the true depths of the Spirit's call. This Spirit, pouring from the Risen Christ, doesn't replace our natural desires and hopes. Sharing in the Divine life does not mean that we are not called to live a fully human life.' *Fr Timothy J. Calvert OP*

## AUSTRALIA

This magnificent country, endowed with such beauty and variation of climate, gentleness and ruggedness, mountains, valleys, endless flora and fauna is pure gift to us from a God who is an incredibly creative artist. Add to that the resources, the opportunities for growth and development and above all a freedom for its citizens which is not paralleled throughout our world. We speak about the Spirit of Australia, which while it might be exaggerated at times, expresses the pride of the vast number of its citizens and is an experience that those who come from other lands, grow to appreciate very much. *Romans (12/9-13)* an invitation to respect one another, be patient, look after everyone, especially strangers. Surely this is a dream for a nation to live in harmony. *Bishop Heenan*

## THE STORY OF AUSTRALIA

This is the Story of Australia - the story of an extraordinary nation. The Story begins 60,000 years ago. New chapters are written every day. On Australia Day, we reflect on our history, its highs and its lows. We respect the stories of others. And we celebrate our nation, its achievements and most of all, its people.

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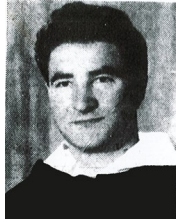


**AUSTRALIA DAY MASS will be at 9.00am**



## FR MAURICE KEATING OP

Those who recall Fr Maurice Keating OP has celebrated his 60 years as a priest. Fr Maurice was member of the Blackfriars community off and on for several years and also spent time in the Dominican Missions in the Solomon Islands. During his time here he also, as a Member of the community, did the 'country run' to St Francis Xavier Hall and St Joseph's Gundaroo. He found the top step in front of the Altar, rather than the Lectern, as the spot for his homilies. The mosaics of St Dominic and Our Lady and the Stations of the Cross and other art works both inside and outside the Church and Blackfriars Building are his. He also provided items for St Joseph's O'Connor and the Missions.



He joined the Dominican Order in 1957 and studied at Camberwell, Melbourne, and Wahroonga, Sydney. Fr Maurice was ordained on 13 December 1962.

Fr Maurice currently resides at the Dominican Parish Carina Brisbane. We thank him for his long and caring service to our Dominican Family.



## Charnwood Parish Secretary Part Time

People are invited to apply for the position Parish Secretary for St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Charnwood. This is a part-time permanent position of 12 hours per week (preferably Tues, Wed, Thurs 10am-2pm)

Essential Requirements: Experience with financial & database packages, Strong communication and liaison skills, Strong organisational skills, Ability to work on your own, and as part of a wider team and take direction, Understanding and respect for the Catholic Church and its teaching and Experience in an office environment.

Salary will be subject to equivalent Clerk Award Level 4/5 rates. Covering letter addressing the essential requirements and resume to be submitted by 9 February 2023. Please phone Debbie Hofman 6258 1563 or email charnwood@cg.org.au for a copy of the Duty Statement.

## DONATIONS TO PARISH & PRIESTS

**Parish details** to contribute to the Planned Giving.  
Bank details – Account Name: Blackfriars Parish Watson  
BSB: 062786 - A/C : 000013341 - Reference: Name

**Priests details** to contribute to the First Collection.  
Details – Account Name: Dominican Fathers Watson  
BSB: 083 347 Account number: 97 310 5044  
Reference: Your Name - Donation

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BANK DETAILS - REFERENCE GARDEN**

## PRAYERS

In Your Prayers please remember those in our community who are ill:

Mary Martin, Anne Corver, Barbara Wilson, Mimma Gia, Philip Bailey, Veronica Cornelly, Rosa Maria Santos, Peter Catlin, Beth Delos Santos, Ursula Ramsay, Sue King, Fr Ellis Clifford, Joe Schimizzi, June Pollard, Awny El-Ghitany, Pamela Sandy, Elizabeth Webster, Una Ford, Terry Stephens, Maureen Blood, Una Bell, Anthony Parsonage, Lily Copeland, Neville Caulfield, Maggie McKeon, Alphonsa Bankovsky, Michelle Brotohusodo, Brian & Suzanne Brown, Carmel Slammon, Fr Rafael Cabezon OP

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Our recently Deceased: May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord.

Cardinal Pell, Pope Benedict, Dennis McKeon, Geoff Dodd, Anna Schneider, John Anthony Anderson, Ted Duff

## John Anthony Anderson R.I.P

Long-standing parishioner of Holy Rosary, passed away at Clare Holland House on Dec 31st, 2022. Requiem Mass will be offered at St. Mary's Church, Young on Jan 25th, 2023 at 11:00am after which burial will be in the Young Lawn cemetery. 0417 663 262

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Mark Thomas Blackmoore, Maureen Patricia Dawes, John Collett, Jack O'Brien, Alice McDonald

**PRAY THE ROSARY** Sunday Mornings prior to 10.00am Mass the Rosary will be recited. Please join in.

**CRAFT GROUP** meets noon - 4.00pm in the Parish Centre on Wednesdays. Contact the office for details.

**DOMINICAN LIBRARY** will open **Saturday** mornings, 9.30am - 12.00 noon in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

**BLACKFRIARS MEDITATION GROUP** meets on Thursday evenings in the 7.30pm Parish Centre. Enquiries John Jarvis 6296 2001 or www.wccm.org

**WEEKLY READER FORMATION** - Formation sessions are on Wednesday evenings. These sessions provide reflection on the Scripture readings for the following Sunday. All parishioners are invited. – Meet in the church Office.

**HOLY ROSARY WOMEN'S FAITH CIRCLE** The Holy Rosary Women's Faith Circle meets online every second Thursday at 8pm. Faith circles are gatherings of two or more women who meet fortnightly to share scripture, discussion and life. The group is a space where members connect, journey and grow together in faith. Please email Emily at emilykathrynhall@gmail.com for further information.

## ROSTER 28 / 29 January

**Saturday 5.00pm** - Acolyte - M. Tran  
Reader - K. Markcrow

**Sunday 8.00am** - Acolyte - K. Linard  
Reader - E. & J. Smith  
D. P. - Volunteer

**Sunday 10.00am** - Acolyte - T. Johnson  
Reader - M. Fitzgerald / K. McCluskey  
D. P. - J. Cortese

**Sunday 5.00pm** - Acolyte - P. Tran  
Reader - T. Malone /  
J. Schwinghamer  
D. P. - C. Bailey