



## BECOMING A CATHOLIC Journey to Easter 2011/2

Each year can be *the right time and place* for anyone to choose a new direction to their life.

Their decision to become a Catholic is the beginning of a special *faith journey*. Such a decision changes the way we see God and the way we relate to Jesus, and that will surely change the way we see and live our life.

### WHO CHOOSES TO BECOME CATHOLIC?

Anyone touched and called by God. Sometimes it is the parents of children receiving the sacraments; sometimes the partner of a Catholic who wants to join in more fully; sometimes a friend or neighbour who wants to ask important questions.

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a **journey of faith** for the people involved – and a **journey to Easter** for those interested in becoming Catholic in 2011/2

For further information, contact the Parish Office (3355 2667) or ring Brian Gagen 3851 2481 or Richie Huber 3354 1826



### Grovely Atrium of the Good Shepherd

Do you have a child turning 3 this year, or turning 3 in 2012?

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd has a 125 minute session each week catering for children in each of the following age groups:

- 3-5 years
- 5-7 years
- 7-12 years

The atrium is a Montessori environment of peace and prayer where a child is able to spend their own time with God, through the age-appropriate exploration of the Scriptures and Liturgy of our tradition, facilitated by fully-trained catechists. To register your interest, please call Tracie Gallagher on 0422 678 482.

**Like to find out more about becoming a Catechist? Full training is provided and the commitment is just 2 hours per week for approx 32 weeks of the year during school terms.**

Phone Tracie on 0422 678 482

### Meet.Eat.Network. Make a difference

Work together to build up Catholic life in Brisbane.

Join the Assembly of Catholic Professionals—a meeting of Catholic business minds and Church leaders.

2011 Annual Membership now only \$330 (inc. GST)

Next luncheon 15 September, Queensland Rugby Club

For membership details visit [www.bne.catholic.net.au/acp](http://www.bne.catholic.net.au/acp) or call 3336 9406.



The Archdiocese of Brisbane has created a group called the Assembly of Catholic Professionals (ACP). The ACP is a forum for business women and men of the Archdiocese interested in Catholic life, and Church leaders to come together as a community to get to know each other, and to discuss issues and trends in the life of the Church.

The Assembly meets quarterly, over lunch. There is opportunity for networking and to listen to a guest speaker. The next luncheon is on 15 September at the Queensland Rugby Club. Greg Sheridan, foreign editor of The Australian will speak on the topic of 'Surviving the secular society from a Catholic perspective'.

**From Astrology to Zen – Blowing the Whistle on the New Age**  
This coming Monday the 12th of September at Faith on Tap (FoT) Brisbane, Br Max Sculley FSC will discuss whether Yoga, Tai Chi and Reiki are good for the soul.

Yoga, Tai Chi and Reiki have become very popular in the past few decades. Is it healthy for a Christian to use these practices and, particularly, to go deeper into their spiritual roots?

Adoration, Benediction and Confession will now be available before FoT from 5:30pm to 6:30pm at St. Joseph's Kangaroo Point with our chaplain Fr. Bavin Clarke.

The church is accessible from Anglesey Street and it's *only 400 metres* from the Pineapple!

From 6:30pm - 7:30pm the special \$10 FoT menu will be available in The Park bar as usual and the talk will begin at 7:30pm.

*Faith on Tap is strictly for those between 18-35 years. Priests and Religious of all ages are welcome*

**Energetic Assistant Co-ordinator of Outside School Hours Care** required at St Peter Chanel OSHC, The Gap for part-time employment (25-35 hrs per week negotiable). Must be qualified in any of the areas of Children's Services, Education or a Medical related field and possess or be eligible for Blue Card for Child Related Employment.

Email application to [thegaposhc@bne.centacare.net.au](mailto:thegaposhc@bne.centacare.net.au)

### Our Lady's College Annerley Past Pupils Annual Gathering

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2011

At Tattersall's Club

215 Queen Street Brisbane  
5:30 – 8:30pm

\$10 Entry fee includes nibbles and ticket in multi-draw raffle. Book with - Trudi Tesch (Sullivan): 0403 466 604;

### Spiritual Yoga Retreat

guided by Laurene Hassard

Fri evening 21 Oct – Sun 23 Oct, 2011.

This weekend offers Hatha yoga, breathing practices, meditation and a chakra workshop. A weekend not to be missed.

Presentation Spirituality Centre  
26 Kooralgin Street  
MANLY QLD

\$220.00 (incl all meals & accom)

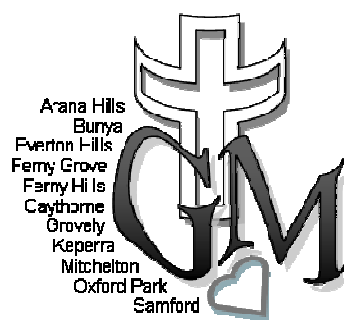
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"It says on your résumé that you were created in God's image. Very impressive."

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
11th September, 2011



Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane

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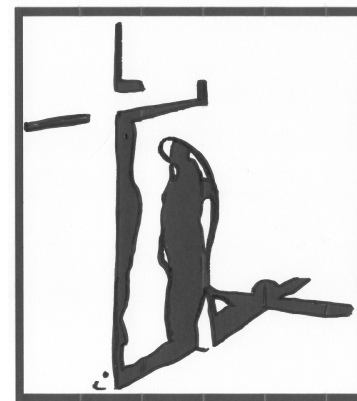
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## FEASTDAY - OUR LADY OF SORROWS SADNESS OR CELEBRATION?



It might seem strange to some that a Parish or School might be so named. For a name begets an image and a vision for living. One might be tempted to pick out of the rich kaleidoscope of saints and heroes of faith, some strongly positive value for human living.

In that case "Mary of Sorrows" (Dolores, Dolours) is more than appropriate and has inspired our parishioners with a name and faith since Fr. Healy arrived in Mitchy in 1930. It is the Feast of Our Lady of Dolours this Thursday.

Our school has now been educating our young for 60 of our 81 year history, beginning as an offshoot from Our Lady of the Assumption (O.L.A) Enoggera in 1951. I remember the burgeoning Prep, 1 & 2 Class of 1950 at Enoggera and Miss Doreen Connors our teacher probably only 10 years older than us on her way to teacher training. I remember the Mitchelton (and beyond) component of that class who never came back in 1951. Margaret Vider and the other foundation children of Our Lady of Dolours left us at year's end to start this great enterprise at Mitchelton. There were four sisters of the Good Samaritan – Srs. M. Stephanie, M. Annette, M. Lucille, M. Conleth; the Parish Priest was Fr. George Nugent.

This Tuesday the School will celebrate our 60 years at 9am Liturgy of Word, celebration, song, ritual and story telling. We will ask God's Blessing and Mary's inspiration on our unfolding years ahead. Congratulations to all our teachers and staff on a unique, excellent educational enterprise, with its very personal and engaging spirit of gracious care for families and children. A special cheer should echo across the valley for its fine leadership team of APRE, Theresa Sheen and Principal Anthony Lucey.

To really understand who we are, our Parish and School will ever hark back to those words of Simeon to Mary: "**Your own soul a sword shall pierce**" (Luke 2:35). What did Simeon have in mind? To understand Mary's sword of sorrow, we must place it first in the context of the whole sentence, all the words of Simeon

to Mary: "Look, this child is marked for the fall and the rise of many in Israel, to be a symbol that will be rejected – indeed, a sword will pierce you too – so that the thoughts of many minds will be laid bare." For Jesus' mother, Simeon hints, discipleship will not be easy. In fact, it will prove extraordinarily difficult. Like a sword of steel, it will cut, it will hurt, it will even pierce our Lady's inmost self. Lady of Sorrows indeed **and** the Model of all disciples.

Second, how much more was there to Mary's sorrow? Call each of them, in Simeon's rhetoric, a sword. There was the charge of adultery that tempted Joseph to "dismiss her quietly" (Mt 1:19). There was the fearful flight into Egypt to shield her child from a king bent on murder. There were the three days in Jerusalem when she lost her preteen Jesus, when on finding him she exclaimed, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety" (Lk 2:48). There was the perilous day his own townspeople "were filled with fury,...took him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, to throw him over it" (Lk 4:29). There was the shocking day his own relatives "tried to restrain him, for they were saying, 'He is out of his mind'" (Mk 3:21).

Then there were the dreadful final days when one of his closest friends (and Mary surely knew him) betrayed her son with a kiss, when the elders of his own people accused him of perverting their nation, when Herod mocked him and Pilate washed his hands of him, when his back was lashed with whips and his head crowned with thorns, when he was nailed to a cross between two thieves, when she stood beneath that cross and watched him breathe his last with an agonizing cry.

Oh yes, our Lady knew sorrow. And I suspect that only a small fraction of that sorrow has been recorded in our Gospels. Lady of Sorrows indeed.

Mary was at the heart of the suffering of her Son. And we who search His ways as the Way to life, to learning, to loving, to living in Christ, can not do better than journey with Mary in her sorrows – to find life in abundance.

So come, celebrate our story this week and know the Mother of Sorrows, Our Lady of Dolours, model for us all.

*F.R. Longo*

LITURGY TIMES	
12th September—18th September	
Grovely	St William's
Monday: 9.15am	
Wednesday: 5.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	7.00pm Mass <i>Triumph of the Cross</i>
Thursday: 9.00am Mass <i>Our Lady of Dolours</i>	
Friday: 7.00am Mass <i>Cornelius, pope &amp; Cyprian, bishop</i>	
Saturday: 7.00am Mass	
	11.00am—12 noon <b>Reconciliation</b>
<b>Next Weekend Masses</b>	
Saturday: 6.00pm Vigil Mass	
Sunday: 6.30am, 8.00am, 9.30am, 5.30pm	
Mitchelton	Our Lady of Dolours
Monday: 8.30am Mass	
Tuesday: 8.30 Mass Cancelled 9:00am School 60yrs Liturgy <i>John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor</i>	
Thursday 8.30am Mass <i>Our Lady of Dolours</i>	
Friday: 8.30am Mass <i>Cornelius, pope and Cyprian, bishop</i> 10:30am Funeral Service <i>Mary Lowrey</i>	
Saturday: 5.15—5.45pm <b>Reconciliation</b>	
<b>Next Weekend Masses</b>	
Saturday: 6.00pm Vigil Mass	
Sunday: 8.00am Mass	
Samford	Sacred Heart
Thursday: 7.00pm <b>Reconciliation</b> 7:30pm Mass <i>Our Lady of Dolours</i>	
<b>Next Weekend Mass</b>	
Sunday: 8.00am Mass	

This Week's Readings
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A
Sir 27:30-28:7 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35
Next Week's Readings
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A
Sir 27:30-28:7 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35

**The Catholic Leader:**  
**\$2.00**

- Comment on Carbon Tax
- Multicultural Sunday Cathedral
- New Jindalee Church
- School Funding "Close the Gap"

## GROVELY NEWS

### The Second Collection

amounted to \$6611.40  
We thank all who contributed.

### Counters this week:

**1st Coll:** Vera Arthur & Bernadette Bowles  
**2nd Coll:** Pat Nixon, Don Soans-Ireland, Alexis & Wayne Lambly

### Baptism:

We joyfully announce the baptism of Sebastian Newnham, William Walsh, Rhys Mentink and welcome them into our faith community.



**Rosary** will be prayed this week at the home of Catheryne Andrews, 5 Spielberg Road, McDowell. at 7pm on Tuesday.

**St William's Parish Council** meets this Monday at 7:30pm in the Daley Centre.

**Did you bring a plate of yummy treats** to share at our celebration for Jan Whiteway? Plates are now available to be picked up at the Parish Office.



**Chill Out Nights** Fri 16th Sept & Fri 30th Sept.

**WHY leadership** meeting Sunday 11th Sept 6.40pm in the Daley Centre.

**Youth-led Mass**  
5.30pm Sunday 25th Sept at St Williams.  
Hope to see you there!



We have a great selection of gifts and cards for all occasions so make us your first shopping stop. We also have a lovely range of booklets for adults, detailing the catholic churches' view on various topics. These great little books are only \$5 each so drop in after Mass and say Hello, we would love to see you.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**This Wednesday Evening:**  
**St. William's Church**

5.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7.00pm Mass

*Come and spend some quiet time with the Lord*



**Social Justice Sunday** is September 25 and the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement this year is **Building Bridges Not Walls: Prisons and the Justice System**. Peter Arndt from the CJPC and Dave Martin from Catholic Prison Ministry met with us last week to brief us on the statement and highlight some of the injustices of our prison system. The full statement will be available shortly. Meanwhile the National Council of Churches in Australia has also published their ecumenical Social Justice Sunday resource, **I Was in Prison and You Visited Me**, which can be downloaded or ordered from the front page of their web site <http://www.ncca.org.au/>

**Date Claimer: The Mary MacKillop Memorial Lecture** will be delivered by Most Rev William Morris DD on Tuesday 11 October at 7 p.m. at the Cultural Centre, MacKillop College, Buckland Road, Nundah. The title of Bishop Morris' address is *Mary MacKillop: A Source of Inspiration in Troubling Times*. Cost is \$20, \$15 for concessions. For tickets, please contact St Joseph's Administration Centre, 10 Bayview Terrace, Wavell Heights 4012, phone 3266 1300, fax 3266 5377 or Email



Over the past few years this celebration has found a home in our parish calendar. This day gives, in a special way, an opportunity for the community to say Congratulations and to give thanks for the many blessings that have been given to each couple and their contribution to our faith community.

This day of stories, flowers and morning tea is for parishioners from all our communities—

**Mitchelton, Grovely and Samford**

**Sunday 9th October 2011**  
**9:30am Mass at Grovely**

**Are you celebrating your**  
**15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50**  
**or over 50 years of marriage?**

**Contact the Parish Office so we can include you.**

We would appreciate your wedding photo and a current photo for us to copy and details of your marriage— name, date and place.  
*Photos will be returned immediately.*

## SAMFORD



**Samford Ministry Co-ordinators** will meet today, Sunday 11th Sept in the church at 9:05am. All are welcome to come and join in.

### Prayer Group –

Come for as long as you can!  
9 - 10am Tuesday at Sacred Heart Church, Samford  
1<sup>st</sup> half hour – Rosary and Chaplet;  
2<sup>nd</sup> half-hour – Adoration.

## MITCHELTON NEWS



### Collections:

1<sup>st</sup> Coll. \$ 252.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. \$1029.55

### Counters:

This week: Group F—John O'Sullivan  
Next week: Group G—Rosemary Berton



### Family Rosary:

This week: Marie Scott  
Next week: Marie Scott



**This Sunday 11th Sept at 8:00am**

## Mass Changes This Week:

Tuesday : 8:30am Mass  
transferred to this Thursday

Tuesday : 9:00am O.L.D School  
60th Celebration Liturgy  
(see below)

Thursday: 8:30am Mass  
**Feast of Our Lady of Dolours**

## Our Lady of Dolours turns 60

**Help us celebrate: Our Lady of Dolours Feast Day and 60 years**

Our Lady of Dolours School community extends a warm invitation to parishioners to attend a morning celebration for our Feast Day and 60<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September  
9am Liturgy  
10am Open Classrooms  
10:45am Community Morning Tea

We honour Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows and celebrate all that makes our school and community great.

Please RSVP by phoning the School Office 3355 7763 or by email [pmitchelton@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:pmitchelton@bne.catholic.edu.au)

## Mitchelton - Grovely - Samford

## Faithful Departed

### Recently Deceased:

Dulcie McGarry (St Joseph's), Mary Lowrey, Terry Berge (*Maris Rutherford's brother*), Terry Summers, Gerry Williamson (*Estelle Reordan's brother*), John L'Estrange, Maria Catanese, Sr. Agnes Ryan MSS, Hannah O'Callahan.

**Anniversaries:** Joseph & Beryl Pereyra

### Funerals:

A funeral Mass will be celebrated for Dulcie McGarry (of St Joseph's Hostel) at St Williams on Tuesday at 1pm.

A funeral service celebrating the life of Mary Lowrey will be held at Our Lady of Dolours church this Friday 16th Sept at 10:30am. Our prayers and sympathy are with Mary's family.

A funeral Mass was held on Thursday for Terry Berge at St William's Church. Our prayers and sympathy are with Terry's sister Maris and the Berge family.



## Weddings

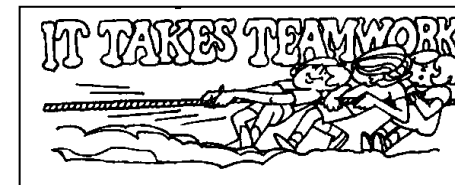
**Congratulations** to Mary Surawski and Jacob Hughes

who were married at Sacred Heart Samford on Saturday 10th September.

The marriage of Gerard Stevens and Cassandra Allardyce will be celebrated on Sun 25th September, 3pm at St Columba's Wilston

## Help Needed

We have recently received a number of requests for assistance with lawn mowing from some of our more elderly parishioners. If you can assist, please contact Michelle at the Parish Office.



## School's Out!

Our 3 Parish Schools finish Term 3 on Friday this week.

We wish all students and their families a safe and happy holiday break.



## Adult Faith Education

**Just what is prayer?** Many of us might not have a simple answer to this. Maybe we have had experiences

with prayer which made it all too difficult to do it on a regular basis.

God certainly does not need our prayers. He is not there waiting for us to pray to Him. It could be that prayer is not about getting God to do things for us but rather that we need to pray to change ourselves into people who can have a more personal and meaningful relationship with our Creator and Saviour.

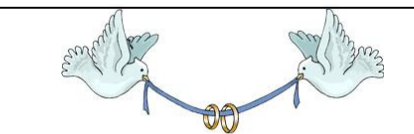
**A DVD by Fr. John Thornhill** (Marist Father theologian) called **"Can Prayer be a Satisfying Experience?"** will explore some of these issues. Perhaps you can come to the **Daley Centre, this Thursday, Sept. 15, 7.30pm to 9pm.**

Last week we looked at dates, when the Gospels were written. **What about the various Epistles?** Biblical scholars are reasonably certain about these as well.

4BC – 30AD	Life of Jesus
51AD	1 Thessalonians
AD 53 – 54	1 Corinthians
AD 55	2 Corinthians
AD56	Philiippians
AD56	Galatians
AD56 – 57	Romans and Philemon
AD64 – 68	Peter & Paul martyred

**So we then know that Paul himself did not write the epistles listed below** – actually some of the epistles mentioned above may not have been written by him as well.

AD65 – 70	Colossians
AD 70	Destruction of Jerusalem
AD70 – 80	2 Thessalonians
AD70 – 80	Ephesians
AD90 – 125	1 and 2 Timothy & Titus



## Golden Wedding Celebration

The Cathedral of St Stephen invites couples celebrating 50 years or more wedding anniversary, together with their families and friends, to Mass in the Cathedral on

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 10.00am.**  
Morning tea in the Francis Rush Centre following Mass.

RSVP: Cathedral Office 3336 9111  
email [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au)  
by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2011.