

PARISH OF ST JOHN VIANNEY MORISSET



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A
19th February, 2017

Christians are called to reflect God's perfect love, even when faced with hatred and injustice.

Hatred is a very dangerous thing. It can destroy us. We can consume more energy in hating, than in all our other activities. Hate is like swallowing acid, it will eventually tear us apart and eat right through us.

We can't be signs of the presence of God and his Kingdom if we are full of hatred, no matter how good a Christian we think we are.

Christ's way is a better way. It is not a soft way. It's a hard way, that calls for great strength and toughness. Hate poisons the heart, love purifies it.

"Youth Mass"

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Foundation	Leader	In Office
1. Identity and Community	Jenny Douglas	Sun
2. Worship and Prayer.	Uta France & Daphne Peterson	Mon
	Jodie Vipan	Thurs
3. Formation and Education	Emily Palmer	Fri
4. Mission and Outreach.	John France & Juliet Hutchins	Wed
5. Leadership and Structure.		Sat
		Tues

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WEEKEND LITURGY TIMES:

THIS WEEKEND: 18 / 19 February 2017

Saturday 18th– 6 pm
 Mass—Cooranbong
 Sunday 19th - 9.30 am
 Mass— Morisset

NEXT WEEKEND: 25 / 26 February 2017

Saturday 25th– 6 pm
 Liturgy—Cooranbong
 Sunday 26th - 9.30 am
 Mass— Morisset

WEEKDAY LITURGY TIMES THIS WEEK

MORISSET:

Tuesday 9.30am
 Liturgy of the Word
 Thursday 9.30am
 Liturgy of the Word

CONFESSIONS:

Before Mass or on request

PLT ITEMS OF INTEREST

- The Beginning Event despite the hot weather was a success. The Callinan Centre coped well with the overflow from the Church.
- The PLT are halfway through their Clinical Pastoral Education course.

We Acknowledge the traditional owners of this land the Awabakal Peoples. And pay our respects to the elders past and present, any that may be with us today.

WELCOME

To anyone who is a visitor to our Parish, and those new to St John Vianney's, you are most welcome. St John Vianney Church has an 'Audio Loop' for people with hearing aids with the 'T' setting.

If you would like more contact, Please complete a census form located at the back of the Church. Further information may also be obtained from the Parish Web site. www.vianneymorisset.org.au

CHANGE OF DETAILS

Please complete a census form located at the back of the Church if your address, contact, email or family details have changed.

<u>ROSTERS</u>			
		<u>THIS Wk 18/19</u>	<u>NEXT Wk 25/26</u>
<u>Presiders</u>	MORISSET:	Mass	Mass
	COORANBONG:	Mass	U France
<u>PROCLAIMERS:</u>	VIGIL	K Lendon G Briggs	F Dunn K Lendon
	9.30	Youth	M Lowe D Joyce
<u>MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST</u>	VIGIL	P Dunstan D Peterson J France	H White M Gray
	9.30	S Selmes R Hay M Gray	U France J Hutchins C Hay
<u>GIFTS:</u>	9.30	Youth	B Baldock R Baldock
<u>SERVERS</u>	VIGIL	M McFarlane	XXXX
	9.30	S Ekezie S Dash	C Palmer G Ekezie
<u>AV:</u>	VIGIL	U France	XXXX
	9.30	J Douglas	J Douglas
<u>WELCOMERS:</u>	VIGIL	K Dunn	XXXX
	9.30	Youth	M Gray J Faint
<u>CHILDREN'S LITURGY:</u>	9.30	XXXX	K Amon K Smith
<u>CHURCH CLEANERS:</u>	MORISSET:	R Philpott	L Fenton G de Meyer
	COORANBONG:	C Vangsnes T Vangsnes	M Melvey P Melvey
<u>COUNTING</u>		Team C	Team D

<u>UPCOMING</u>	<u>FEAST</u>	<u>DAYS</u>
The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle—		22nd February
Saint Patrick, Bishop—		17th March
Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary—		20th March
The Annunciation of the Lord—		25th March

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

SICK

Sister Annette Johnston (Joan) R.S.M., Jason Armstrong, Diane Guberinic, Baby Darcy Clarkson, Sharon Wood, Christine Crowe, Frances English, John Thomson, Terry Gillett, Rachael Dodds, Margaret Fren, Jacinta Gomez, Patricia Blair, Lisa Mirrabello, Lucy Mirrabello, Josie Marinucci, Lori Van Denbos, Iris Savage, Cheryl Nesbitt, John Langham, Jenny Kovacs, Peter Bird, Jen Corben, Matthew Lewis, Tom Hunt, Tony Baker, Leonie Beetham, Trevor Beetham.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Coral Dow, Leanne Beetson, Shirley Roughley, Tom Sommers, Neville Thompson, Alberto Ferrant, Edna Moules, George Gardner, Marie Wayman, William Pratchet, Bill Hood, Mathew Molenaar, Jo Anne Chapman

MONTHLY CUPPA

The next "Monthly Cuppa" will be held after 9.30am Liturgy on Sunday 5th March in the Callinan Centre. To be organised by Dora Creek Zone. All Welcome.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

BAPTISMAL

The next Baptismal Program for parents wishing to have their children baptised will be held on Sunday 2nd and Sunday 9th April, 2017 at 10.45am. Attendance at both sessions is needed.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be celebrated on Tuesday 30th May, 2017 at 7pm in the Morisset Church, and conferred by Bishop Bill.

A parent's information night will be held on Wednesday 5th April, 2017 at 7pm in the Callinan Centre.

Preparation sessions commence the week beginning Sunday 30th April, 2017.

FIRST COMMUNION

First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 17th September, 2017 at 9.30am Mass in Morisset Church.

Preparation sessions commence the week beginning Sunday 13th August, 2017.

YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH MASS

This Sunday 19th February we will Celebrate Youth Mass. The next Youth Mass will be held on Sunday 19th March at 9.30am. We are currently trialing a new day for practice due to availabilities practice for the next Youth Mass will held on Wednesday 15th March at 6pm in the Church. All Youth, Children and Families are welcome to participate.

YOUTH GROUP

The next Youth Group get together will be on this Sunday 19th February in the Callinan Centre from 5pm to 8pm. All young people 12yrs+ are invited to come along. Please bring along a plate to share and a gold coin donation. For more information please contact Emily Palmer on mob: 0413 448 196 or email: sjv.youth@mn.catholic.org.

S.J.V. 100 CLUB LOTTERY

The Fundraising Committee has decided to conduct a 100 Club Lottery to fund several Parish maintenance projects including projects including " new front notice sign, security screens and rear path for Morisset Church, painting and carpet for Cooranbong Church" Selling tickets will commence on the 19th February, with the first draw anticipated to be held in March or April 2017. For more information please see Juliet Hutchins or Jenny Douglas



THE LEARNING ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME [LAP]

Is a student-centred programme providing individual support for students through the positive participation of volunteers.

Volunteers, in partnership with teaching staff, work with students on a one-to-one basis for one regular session each week. LAP, with the volunteers' empathy, patience, confidence building and one-to-one dialogue, provides a heart-warming experience for both volunteers and the children involved. Would you consider helping students on a one-to-one basis for Terms Two and Term Three at St John Vianney School during 2017?

More information will be available following next weekend's Call for Volunteers from the worshipping community of Morisset. You may wish to talk with a staff member known to you at the School or you could ring on 4959 1355 to speak with Margaret McLeod rsm, LAP Co-ordinator, for more information.

MONSIGNOR COOLAHAN AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP

Teachers from all over the Diocese gathered this week for the annual 'Called to Serve Mass' at Sacred Heart Cathedral. At this Mass each year, Monsignor Coolahan Awards are presented to staff in various roles, recognising the work they have done within their school community. Simon Devlin was presented with the award for Leadership, recognising the work he has done here at St John Vianney, since arriving here as Principal in 2009.

Each recipient was nominated by a person or people within their school community and then the Director and Assistant Directors, voted for the person, or in some cases, schools that they considered worthy of the award.

Well deserved Simon, Congratulations!

FREE ORGAN TO GOOD HOME

The parish has an organ that is in working order and it no longer uses. It would be nice if a new home could be found for it, otherwise it will be placed out for the council clean up scheduled for the end of February. If you are interested please speak to a member of the PLT or contact the parish office.

2017 PROJECT COMPASSION LAUNCH

The Diocesan Launch of Project Compassion 2017 for parishes and schools will be held on Tuesday 28th February 10.30am—11.30am at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, followed by refreshments. RSVP Brooke Robinson P 49791111 or caritas@mn.catholic.org.au

SJV 100 CLUB -COST AND PRIZES

Each ticket entry costs \$120 (i.e. \$10 per month for 12 months.)

Payment up front is the preferred method but it can be made in instalments.

One draw each month, alternating between Cooranbong and Morisset.

First Prize – \$210 Second Prize – \$165. Prizes are paid by cheque.

Please refer to " Rules " accompanying the application form.

Thanks Juliet.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

A combined school and parish Mass will be held at 9.30am in Morisset Church on Ash Wednesday 1st March, 2017.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Will be held on Friday 3rd March at The Salvation Army Bonnells Bay 158 Station Street Bonnells Bay at 10.30am. With Speaker Major Tim Gittins. The country of Focus is The Philippines.

CARITAS DINNER - RICHARD CAMPBELL

Will be held on Friday 3rd March in the Victor Peters Suite, 841 Hunter St, Newcastle. Uncle Richard Campbell, a talented Aboriginal painter will be the guest speaker for this years dinner. Arrival is at 6pm for a 6.30pm start. Cost is \$35 per person RSVP to Brooke Robinson 4979 1111 or caritas@mn.catholic.org.au

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Will be held from Sunday 05th March to Saturday 11th March. There will be a School Mass to celebrate Catholic Schools Week on Friday 10th March at 9.30am in Morisset Church.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2017

Will be celebrated on Sunday 12th March with a Mass at 9:30 AM in the Sacred Heart Cathedral, 841 Hunter Street, Newcastle West. Mass we will be followed by the presentation of the Magdalene Award 2017, and morning tea in the Toohey Room. RSVP to Brooke Robinson 4979 1111 by 3 March

ACTIV8 CHISHOLM YOUTH - ST PATRICK'S DAY TRIVIA NIGHT

will be held on Friday 17 March at 7:00 PM at Therry Centre, East Maitland. Contact Bec: 0422 500 429.

ACYF SYDNEY 2017

The 3rd Australian Catholic Youth Festival will be hosted by the Archdiocese of Sydney from 7-9 December 2017. Expressions of Interest are now open for young people in year 9 (2017) to 25 years who would like to be a part of the Maitland-Newcastle contingent. Those over the age of 25 are encouraged to register as group leaders. Register your interest now at www.mn.catholic.org.au/acyf. For more information, contact us at youth.festival@mn.catholic.org.au or www.facebook.com/mncatholicyouth.

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FIRST READING

Lv 19:1-2. 17-18

A reading from the book of Leviticus

You must love your neighbour, as yourself.

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: 'Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy.

"You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence; this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 102:1-4. 8. 10. 12-13. R. v.8

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **(R.)**
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults. **(R.)**
4. As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.
As a father has compassion on his sons,
the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

1 Cor 3:16-23

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

All things are yours, but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Make no mistake about it: if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are, or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Jn 2:5

Alleluia, alleluia!

Whoever keeps the word of Christ,
grows perfect in the love of God.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 5:38-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Love your enemies.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

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