

PARISH OF ST JOHN VIANNEY MORISSET



THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A

26th February, 2017



When Jesus says, 'Do not worry about tomorrow', he is not condemning human resourcefulness. We have to plan for tomorrow. What he is condemning is the fretting and worrying that keeps us from lifting our gaze beyond material values and cares of this world.

We are in constant danger of becoming immersed in the affairs of the world and of becoming enslaved to material things.

Today Jesus asks us to see clearly exactly what our hearts are set on. The kingdom of God which is a kingdom of love, of justice, of peace, of sharing, or are we focused on selfishness, money, affluence and cut-throat competition.

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1. Identity and Community
2. Worship and Prayer.

3. Formation and Education

4. Mission and Outreach.

5. Leadership and Structure.

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WEEKEND LITURGY TIMES:

THIS WEEKEND: 25 / 26 February 2017

Saturday 25th– 6 pm

Liturgy—Cooranbong

Sunday 26th - 9.30 am

Mass— Morisset

NEXT WEEKEND: 4 / 5 March 2017

Saturday 4th– 6 pm

Liturgy—Cooranbong

Sunday 5th - 9.30 am

Liturgy— Morisset

WEEKDAY LITURGY TIMES THIS WEEK

MORISSET:

Tuesday 9.30am

Liturgy of the Word

Wednesday 9.30am

Ash Wednesday Mass

Thursday 9.30am

Liturgy of the Word

CONFESSIONS:

Before Mass or on request

PLT ITEMS OF INTEREST

- The PLT are supporting the Youth Group Fundraising to send Parish Youth Group members to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival.
- The Project Compassion launch will have parish representatives in attendance.

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 25 / 26</u>	<u>NEXT Wk 4 / 5</u>
<u>Presiders</u>	MORISSET:	Mass	D Joyce
	COORANBONG:	U France	D Peterson
<u>PROCLAIMERS:</u>	VIGIL	F Dunn K Lendon	P Melvey M Melvey
	9.30	M Lowe D Joyce	C Hay R Hay
<u>MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST</u>	VIGIL	H White M Gray	U France H White
	9.30	U France J Hutchins C Hay	J France B Nowak
<u>GIFTS:</u>	9.30	B Baldock R Baldock	XXXX
<u>SERVERS</u>	VIGIL	XXXX	XXXX
	9.30	C Palmer G Ekezie	XXXX
<u>AV:</u>	VIGIL	XXXX	U & J France
	9.30	J Douglas	T Alexander
<u>WELCOMERS:</u>	VIGIL	XXXX	K Dunn
	9.30	M Gray J Faint	A Dussin J Ekezie
<u>CHILDREN’S LITURGY:</u>	9.30	K Amon K Smith	G Selmes S Selmes
<u>CHURCH CLEANERS:</u>	MORISSET:	L Fenton G de Meyer	C Vangsnes T Vangsnes
	COORANBONG:	M Melvey P Melvey	R Scully J Scully
<u>COUNTING</u>		Team D	Team A

<u>UPCOMING</u>	<u>FEAST</u>	<u>DAYS</u>
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:

Frank Fitzpatrick ,Mary & Eileen McKenna, Patricia Campbell, Ann Hoggart, John Jobson, Dympna Foo, Catherine Druitt, Terry Ivory, Gavin McConville, Mitchel Hollis, David Auchterlonie, Pol Antonia, Jason Needham, Colin Westcott,

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 PROGAMS

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

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 Sunday 19th March 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.



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 this 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.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES.

"It would greatly assist the counting teams if the amount " enclosed in the envelope was printed on the envelope where indicated. If privacy is an issue, please place your envelope face down on the plate.'

2017 LENTEN GROUPS

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday 1st March, 2017.

There will be a morning Lenten Group held on Mondays at 10am in the Callinan Centre commencing on 6th March.

There will a Tuesday Lenten Group commencing on 7th March for further details on time and place please contact Daphne Peterson.

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

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.

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.

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.

CELEBRATION OF SISTERS IN CHRISTIANITY DINNER

Will be held on Tuesday 07 March at 6:30 PM at Murray Room, Diocesan Offices, 841 Hunter St, Newcastle West. RSVP by 3 March brooke.robinson@mn.catholic.org.au P 49791111

THE SCHOOL OF ST JUDE - 2017 AUSTRALIA TOUR

Will be held on Tuesday 14 March at 7:00 PM at Toronto Workers Club. Former Aussie teacher Gemma Sisia opened the gates to the School of St Jude in Tanzania 15 years ago and now, thanks to the support of thousands of Australians, it provides a free, high-quality education to 1,800 promising yet impoverished students. P Monica Scanlon 0447 597 930.

THE DIVINE RETREAT CENTRE

At Somersby is a ministry of the Vincentian Missionaries. Throughout 2017, retreats focused on young people, families, healing, liturgical feasts and divine mercy are offered. To see the schedule or to learn more, please P 4372 1598, E drcsydney@gmail.com or www.divineretreatcentre.org.au

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

Is 49:14-15

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Even these may forget, says the Lord God, yet I will not forget you.

Zion was saying, 'The Lord has abandoned me, the Lord has forgotten me.'

Does a woman forget her baby at the breast, or fail to cherish the son of her womb?

Yet even if these forget, I will never forget you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 61:2-3. 6-9. R. v.6

(R.) Rest in God alone, my soul.

1. In God alone is my soul at rest; my help comes from him. He alone is my rock, my stronghold, my fortress: I stand firm. **(R.)**
2. In God alone be at rest, my soul; for my hope comes from him. He alone is my rock, my stronghold, my fortress: I stand firm. **(R.)**
3. In God is my safety and glory, the rock of my strength. Take refuge in God all you people. Trust him at all times. Pour out your hearts before him. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

1 Cor 4:1-5

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

The Lord will bring light to all that is hidden in darkness.

People must think of us as Christ's servants, stewards entrusted with the mysteries of God. What is expected of stewards is that each one should be found worthy of his trust. Not that it makes the slightest difference to me whether you, or indeed any human tribunal, find me worthy or not. I will not even pass judgement on myself. True, my conscience does not reproach me at all, but that does not prove that I am acquitted: the Lord alone is my judge. There must be no passing of premature judgement. Leave that until the Lord comes: he will light up all that is hidden in the dark and reveal the secret intentions of men's hearts. Then will be the time for each one to have whatever praise he deserves, from God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Heb 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 6:24-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Do not worry about tomorrow.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'No one can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.

'That is why I am telling you not to worry about your life and what you are to eat, nor about your body and how you are to clothe it. Surely life means more than food, and the body more than clothing! Look at the birds in the sky. They do not sow or reap or gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they are? Can any of you, for all his worrying, add one single cubit to his span of life? And why worry about clothing? Think of the flowers growing in the fields; they never have to work or spin; yet I assure you that not even Solomon in all his regalia was robed like one of these. Now if that is how God clothes the grass in the field which is there today and thrown into the furnace tomorrow, will he not much more look after you, you men of little faith? So do not worry, do not say, "What are we to eat? What are we to drink? How are we to be clothed?" It is the pagans who set their hearts on all these things. Your heavenly Father knows you need them all. Set your hearts on his kingdom first, and on his righteousness, and all these other things will be given you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.'

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