



<u>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER — YEAR A</u> <u>14th May, 2017</u>

When Thomas asked Jesus the way to the Father, he replied 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life'.

The way to God has confused many, baffled others, and some have got lost.

The works of Jesus are the works of God: to give life, and to restore meaning to life or enrich life's meaning.

This is our challenge to engage in life-giving activities rather than death dealing ones. This is also our challenge to put meaning into life, rather than suck it out. This is what Jesus in his 'last will and testament' urges his followers to do, out of love for others.

"Mothers Day"

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

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WEEKEND LITURGY TIMES:

THIS WEEKEND: 13/14 May 2017

Saturday 13th-5.30pm

Liturgy— Cooranbong

Sunday 14th - 9.30 am

Mass— Morisset

NEXT WEEKEND: 20/21 May 2017

Saturday 20th-5.30pm

Mass— Cooranbong

Sunday 21st - 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

- All reports, proposals and evaluation forms, for the Parish Gathering are due this Sunday 14th May.
- Please continue Prayer Support for those preparing for Confirmation.

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.

ROSTERS			
	<u> </u>	THIS WK 13/14	NEXT WK 20/21
<u>Presiders</u>	MORISSET:	Mass	Mass
	Vigil	M McFarlane	Mass
PROCLAIM- ERS:	Vigil	L Jay R Jay	D Peterson H White
	9.30	D Peterson E Palmer	Youth
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST	VigiL	H White M Gray	P Dunstan M Lowe M Gray
	9.30	M Gray T Pontifex H White	B Nowak R Hay C Hay
GIFTS:	9.30	R Baldock R Baldock	Youth
<u>SERVERS</u>	VigiL	XXXX	M McFarlane
	9.30	J Vipan G Ekezie	S Dash D Palmer
<u>AV:</u>	Vigil	D Peterson	U France
	9.30	J Douglas	D Peterson
WELCOMERS:	VigiL	R Scully J Scully	M Melvey P Melvey
	9.30	A Dussin K McKenna	Youth
CHILDREN'S LITURGY:	9.30	K Amon K Smith	XXXX
CHURCH CLEANERS:	MORISSET:	P Melvey M Melvey	C Aspinall T Pontifex
	COORAN- BONG:	K Lendon	C Vangsnes T Vangsnes
COUNTING		Team B	Team C

<u>UPCOMING</u> FEAST DAYS

Pentecost Sunday— 4th June

The Most Holy Trinity— 11th June

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ— 18th June

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus—23rd June

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist — 24th June

Please pray for those who are sick , in hospital or recovering at home.

Diane Guberinic, Nita Fish (Clarke), Laura Mirabello, Chris Crowe, Terry Gillett, Desmond Fren, Jayson Armstrong

Please pray for those who have been called to eternal life may they always be in our prayers.

Anniversaries / Remembrance:

Stephen Idakno, Judith Smith.



PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like the parish to pray for a family member who may be sick, recently deceased or you would like remembered. Please complete the cards at the back of the church and their names will be placed in the bulletin.

MONTHLY CUPPA

The next "Monthly Cuppa" will be held after 9.30am Liturgy on Sunday 4th June in the Callinan Centre. To be organised by Sugar Bay Zone. All Welcome.

SACRAMENTAL PROGAMS

BAPTISMAL

The next Baptismal Program for parents wishing to have their children baptised will be held on Sunday 4th and Sunday 11th June 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. The third preparation sessions will be held this Sunday 14th May at 10.30am and Wednesday 17th May at 5.30pm.

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 MASS

The next Youth Mass will be held on Sunday 21st May at 9.30am. Practice for the next Youth Mass will held on Wednesday 17th May 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 21st May 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.

Parish Gathering 11th June 4 weeks to go!

PLANNED GIVING DIRECT DEBIT / ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS

"Did you know that you can contribute to our parish's planned giving via direct debit?"

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to contribute to planned giving via Direct Debit .

"Did you know that you can make donations to our parish or contribute to our parish planned giving via an electronic payment?"

Electronic payments can be made by via the diocese website http://www.mn.catholic.org.au/parishes-priests/parish-

payments . For planned giving payments please contact the Parish Office prior to making your first payment, as you will need a planned giver number.

"Do you currently contribute to planned giving via Direct Debit and need to change the amount or update your details?"

Please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you to those who already contribute to our parish your support is greatly appreciated.

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.'

PROJECT COMPASSION

If you have not already returned your Project Compassion collection box, could please return it to the Church as soon as possible.

BEREAVEMENT TEAM - FUNERAL NOTICE CONTACT LIST

In an effort to help spread the news of upcoming funerals, the bereavement team is setting up an email contact list. Those that wish to receive regular emails with funeral notices are asked to provide their email addresses to the bereavement team at morparish@mn.catholic.org.au

PARISH WEBSITE - PARISH GROUP INFO

Are you part of a Parish Small Group? Would you like to add or update information about your group on our parish website or social media? Please forward all requests for our website and or Facebook page to the PLT for consideration at morparishplt@mn.catholic.org.au

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SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT BOOK FUNDRAISER

The school is selling the Entertainment Book 2017-2018 as a fundraiser again this year. Books and digital versions (for your mobile phones) are available for \$65. Payments can be made at the school or online at http://www.entbook.com.au/341v85 You can also view what is in the new book by visiting the school office where a sample book will be available for viewing. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Maureen Nankivell at the school on 4973 4073.

YOUTH FUNDRAISING

With the Australian Catholic Youth Festival on again this year, the youth group will be holding several fundraising events to help get our members there. A major fundraiser for the festival will be our "SJV's Got Talent" show. Expressions of interest are now being taken. All ages, all talents and all parishioners are urged to support this event. Let the fun begin! Contact Emily Palmer at emmy_jai7@hotmail.com to find out more.

FAMILY FAITH FORUM

Will be held on Saturday 03 June at 9.30am at Toohey Room, 841 Hunter St, Newcastle. Faith formation is often achieved through gently accompanying another on his/her journey. In this forum, we shall examine the nature of accompaniment as experienced through sacraments of initiation, school years and Sunday Mass. Register 4979 1328 by 27 May.

PINTS WITH A PURPOSE

Will be held on Monday 05 June at 6.30 PM at Northern Star Hotel, Beaumont St, Hamilton. Our speaker will be Sarah McCutcheon on Missions. P49791111.

<u>INTERFAITH FORUM - CATHOLIC EASTERN AND WESTERN</u> RITES FAITH

Will be held on Wednesday 07 June at 6:30 PM at Parish of Protection of the Mother of God, 105 Gosford Rd, Adamstown. P 4979 1111 to RSVP.

CURSILLO WEEKEND:

Come journey with us as we share our faith stories – weekend of meditations, prayers, songs and talks - at Myuna Sport and Recreation Centre, Wangi Rd, Myuna Bay, Friday evening 9 June to Monday 12 June 2017. For details please ring Greg Byrne 0427 918 568 or Linda Norris 0408 077 089.

BE GROW SHOW 2017

Will be held Friday 16 June - Sunday 18 June at Camp Elim, Forster. This is an annual retreat for ages 16 yrs+, organised by the Diocesan Council for Ministry with Young People. This year's theme is Luke 1:49 "for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name." Go to mn.catholic.org.au to register. P 4979 1111.

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FIRST READING

Acts 6:1-7

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

They elected seven men filled with the Spirit and wisdom.

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 32:1-2, 4-5, 18-19, R, v,22

(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

- Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
 Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. (R.)
- For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.
 The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)
- The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)

SECOND READING

1 Pt 2:4-9

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Jn 14:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

I am the way, the truth, and the life.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled.
Trust in God still, and trust in me.
There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you.
I am now going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too.
You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too.

From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?

Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

'I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'

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