



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR C
SUNDAY, 7TH APRIL 2019

In today's Gospel we again hear the words of Jesus in relation to the woman caught in adultery: 'Let the one who is without sin cast the first stone.' By intervening, Jesus rescued the woman from stoning, and set her onto a new path. The fact that Jesus didn't condemn her doesn't mean that he thought light of adultery. He treated her in such a way that it made her want to reform her life.

Jesus turns a page for all humankind; he renews hope for every person. Jesus rejects condescending and dismissive attitudes toward women and the prevailing legalistic approach. Jesus replaces those with a loving glance and merciful heart.

We live in a complex and conflicted world. We have to make value judgments all the time. But that is different from judging the lives and motives of others. How much easier it seems to be for us to pass judgment on other people. How hard it is for us to see our own true selves

The "new thing" that we learn from the scriptures today is: "Let the one ... who is without sin cast the first stone".



PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

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

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PRIEST SUPERVISOR: Fr Geoff Mulhearn
Priest in Residence Fr Reg Callinan, parish priest emeritus (retired priest)

Parish Administrative Assistant: Mrs Rosanna Suckling Mon— Fri

IF YOU FEEL THE NEED TO CONTACT US PLEASE DO SO AS FOLLOWS:

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(Please submit all Bulletin Notice requests to the parish office by 5pm Wednesdays)

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.

WEEKEND LITURGY TIMES:

THIS WEEKEND: : 6/ 7 April

Saturday 6th – 6pm
Mass— Cooranbong
Sunday 7th—9.30 am
Mass— Morisset

NEXT WEEKEND: 13 / 14 April

Saturday 13th – 5.30pm
Liturgy— Cooranbong
Sunday 14th—9.30 am
Liturgy— 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 theme for our Parish Gathering is "Belonging"
- Reports and Proposals for the Parish Gathering need to be in by May 12th 2019.
- The Communion Rite workshop sign-up sheet is at the back of the church.
- Evaluations will be available from next week.



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Salma was just 18 years old, pregnant and fearful for her life and that of her unborn child, when she featured in Project Compassion 2013. In Bangladesh, maternal and infant mortality rates are tragically high. During her first pregnancy, Salma was very sick and in distress, she sought the help of a midwife trained by Caritas' Safe Motherhood Program.

Six years on, she's now a healthy mother of two strong, happy children. Salma is committed to giving her children the education they need to provide them with the future she hoped for.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help reduce infant mortality rates in countries like Bangladesh and provide hope to pregnant women in remote communities for happy and healthy families.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, or by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

PROJECT COMPASSION ENVELOPES

Are available at the back of the church, for those who wish to donate via cheque, credit card or cash notes.

CALL FOR REPORTS AND PROPOSALS

Last week we considered the importance of the Parish Gathering to the whole community. Today we are just reminding you to have your reports and proposals in to the office as soon as possible. The font needs to be "14" Type "Arial" and reports sent onto the parish office at morparish@mn.catholic.org.au. There is a lot of work involved in preparing the booklets, so the earlier the better. The final date for your submission is **May 12th**. Thank you.

GARDENING TEAM

The gardening team have potted some plants for sale, mainly succulents, and will be manning a plant stall with a few extra items on Sunday morning 5th May outside the church whilst the morning cuppa is in progress. The proceeds from this stall will assist in maintenance of both church gardens. Remember Mother's Day is drawing near. Plants will sell at \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Will cease at 3am on Sunday 7th April 2019, Saturday Liturgies and Masses at Cooranbong will start at 5.30pm from Saturday 13th April 2019.

CHRISM MASS

Will be held Tuesday 16 April, at 7pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral Hamilton.

EASTER MASS TIMES

Reconciliation—Wednesday 17th April 7pm
Mass of the Lord's Last Supper—Thursday 18th April 7pm
Stations of the Cross—Friday 19th April 11am
Celebration of the Passion of the Lord—Friday 19th April 3pm
The Easter Vigil in the Holy Light—Saturday 20th April 7pm
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord—
Sunday 21st April 9.30am
All services will be held in the Morisset Church
60 Yambo St, Morisset.

PARISH GATHERING

Our theme for the Parish Gathering is "Belonging". Sr Laretta Baker will facilitate our Parish Gathering to be held on Sunday 9th June 2019 in the Callinan Centre after 9.30am Mass.

ATTENTION ALL COMMUNION LEADERS, SPECIAL MINISTERS AND ANY PARISHIONER WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING IN THIS MINISTRY ROLE.

Please save the Date:

On Saturday MAY 4th 2019 – 9.30am – 11.00am

There will be an Inservice / Formation (training) workshop in Morisset church and we will look at:-

The new Diocesan document "**The Communion Rite**" and Workshop on the ministry of the role of an Extraordinary Minister (Communion Leader / Communion Minister / Special Minister) at Mass and Sunday Celebration of the Word with Communion. All Welcome. To help us have enough materials on the day please complete the sign up sheet at the back of the church .

MAKE OUR PARISHES AND COMMUNITIES WELCOMING PLACES.

People experiencing poverty are never to be regarded as 'a problem', but as principal partners in the work of building up bonds of unity and social cohesion.

Social Justice Statement 2018–2019, p. 12

Start a conversation about how your parish can extend a welcome to everyone who comes to your church. How can people experiencing housing difficulties be protected from falling by the wayside?

Are there ways your parish can identify those needing help?

Is there someone in the parish who knows what resources are available for people with housing needs?

Read A Handbook for Building Stronger Parishes, available from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference shop: www.catholic.org.au/shop/acbc-shop

DARA Van: www.dara.org.au

ANNUAL TWEC DINNER

Will be held on Friday 31 May at 6:30 PM at Therry Centre, New England Hwy, East Maitland. Speaker will be Dr Michele Connolly rsj on 'Does the New Testament speak to contemporary Australia?' Enquiries P 4979 1111.

VOLUNTEERING IN OUR PARISH

We are seeking Ministers for taking Communion to the Sick.

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 WEEK</u>	<u>NEXT WEEK</u>
<u>Presiders</u>	VIGIL:	Mass	H White
	9.30:	Mass	U France
<u>PROCLAIMERS:</u>	VIGIL	D Peterson U France	M Shamley J Jackson
	9.30	D Joyce R Baldock	L Fairhall G Carr
<u>MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST</u>	VIGIL	M Gray M Foo K Lendon	D Peterson M Clipsham
	9.30	J France M Clipsham J Hutchins	M McFarlane J McCarthy
<u>GIFTS:</u>	VIGIL	Melvey Family	XXXX
	9.30	Ekezie Family	XXXX
<u>SERVERS</u>	VIGIL	M McFarlane	XXXX
	9.30	G & S Ekezie	XXXX
<u>AV:</u>	VIGIL	F Dunn	F Dunn
	9.30	J Douglas	T Alexander
<u>WELCOMERS:</u>	VIGIL	K Dunn	Melvey Family
	9.30	K McKenna	Baldock Family
<u>CHILDREN’S LITURGY:</u>	9.30	A Dussin K McKenna	School Hols
<u>CHURCH CLEANERS:</u>	COORAN-BONG:	C Vangsnes	P McIntyre
	MORISSET:	R Philpott	R Hay
<u>COUNTING</u>		Team A	Team B

UPCOMING FEAST DAYS MEMORIALS AND SOLEMINITIES

- St Stanislaus, bishop, martyr— 11th April
- PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD—14th April
- THURSDAY OF THE LORD’S SUPPER—18th April
- FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD—19th April
- PASCHAL VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT—20th April
- SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION—21st April
- St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor— 29th April
- St Athanasius, bishop, doctor— 2nd May
- Sts Philip and James, apostles— 3rd May
- St Matthias, apostle—14th May
- The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin—31st May

Please pray for those who are sick, in hospital or recovering at home:
 Bruce Gillett, Joan Gillett, Noel Maloney, Severino Cruz, Pamela Harrison, Frances Bristow.

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



MONTHLY CUPPA

The next “Monthly Cuppa” will be held after 9.30am Mass on Sunday 7th April 2019. In the Callinan Centre, Jenny Douglas, John Hodges, Mary Kershaw and Sue Heffernan to organise. All Welcome.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

BAPTISMAL

Our Baptismal Program for parents wishing to have their children baptised is run over two sessions. Our next program details are: Session 1 on Sunday 7th and Session 2 on Sunday 14th April 2019 both at 10.45am. For further information please contact the parish office Mon—Fri 9am –2pm.

CONFIRMATION, RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST

We wish to invite children who are in Year 3 this year or older and their families to take part in our 2019 Sacramental Program for Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist. If you would like your child to take part please contact the parish office Mon—Fri 9am –2pm.

CONFIRMATION

Bishop Bill Wright will confer the sacrament of Confirmation at 7pm on Thursday 6th June in the Morisset Church.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE BULLETIN

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 a prayer card for each person (i.e. one name per card) and place it in the mail box near the parish office door. Cards are at the back of the church **Please note: All prayer requests require permission from a family member or the person along with the contact details of the person or family member giving permission this is due to Australian privacy laws. Prayers for the sick will be published for 4 weeks, if more time is needed please complete a new card, every 4 weeks.**

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FIRST READING

Is 43:16-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I am doing a new thing and I will give drink to my people.

Thus says the Lord,
who made a way through the sea,
a path in the great waters;
who put chariots and horse in the field
and a powerful army,
which lay there never to rise again,
snuffed out, put out like a wick:

No need to recall the past,
no need to think about what was done before.
See, I am doing a new deed,
even now it comes to light; can you not see it?
Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness,
paths in the wilds.

The wild beasts will honour me,
jackals and ostriches,
because I am putting water in the wilderness
(rivers in the wild)
to give my chosen people drink.
The people I have formed for myself
will sing my praises.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 125. R. v.3

**(R.) The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.**

1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **(R.)**
2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **(R.)**
3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **(R.)**
4. They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Phil 3:8-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

*Because of Christ I look upon everything else as
useless in order to gain him.*

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the

perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jl 2:12-13

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
With all your heart turn to me,
for I am tender and compassionate.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL

Jn 8:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Let the person without sin be the first to throw a stone.

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir,' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and don't sin any more.'

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