



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C
SUNDAY, 28TH APRIL 2019

In the Gospel today we hear about the Doubting Thomas, who struggled to believe. Thomas demonstrates more than a trace of doubt when he declares, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

We all struggle to believe the good news, when we see on TV so much death and destruction. We struggle to believe in mercy, when there is so much selfish violence. Pope Francis reminds us: "Faith must be renewed and refreshed again, and again. God does not give us faith by dictating abstract truths; God revealed himself in history by entering into it with us." Then the pope said that faith is not genuine, unless it is tinged with a trace of doubt.

This Sunday, Our faith and its foundation are already present in our lives. We need only take the time to remember when God entered into our personal life history. When we remember, we can say with Thomas the words of contrition: "My Lord and my God!"

If we truly believe that Jesus lives and breathes and moves among us, how might that impact the way we live, breathe and move about in this world? Might we be kinder? Less judgmental? Less prejudiced?



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:

OFFICE: 60 Yambo Street, Morisset, PO Box 87,
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Morisset Parish Web site: www.vianneymorisset.org.au

Morisset Parish Facebook : <https://www.facebook.com/stjvparish>

Morisset Parish Bulletin Items: morparish@mn.catholic.org.au

(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: : 27 / 28 April

Saturday 27th— 5.30pm
Liturgy— Cooranbong
Sunday 28th—9.30 am
Liturgy— Morisset

NEXT WEEKEND: 4 / 5 May

Saturday 4th— 5.30pm
Mass— Cooranbong
Sunday 5th—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
Friday 9.30am— Liturgy of the Hours

CONFESSIONS: Before Mass or on request.

PLT ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Please take a Parish Evaluation 2018-2019 form .
- Our Gathering is on Sunday 9th June in the Callinan Centre.
- The theme for our gathering is "Belonging"



THANK YOU

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CALL FOR REPORTS AND PROPOSALS

A few weeks ago 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 Saturday evening 4th May at Cooranbong and on Sunday morning 5th May at Morisset outside the churches. 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.

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

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

As there are some changes, it is recommended that all those rostered in this ministry attend the workshop.

At this Inservice / Formation (training) workshop in Morisset church we will look at:-

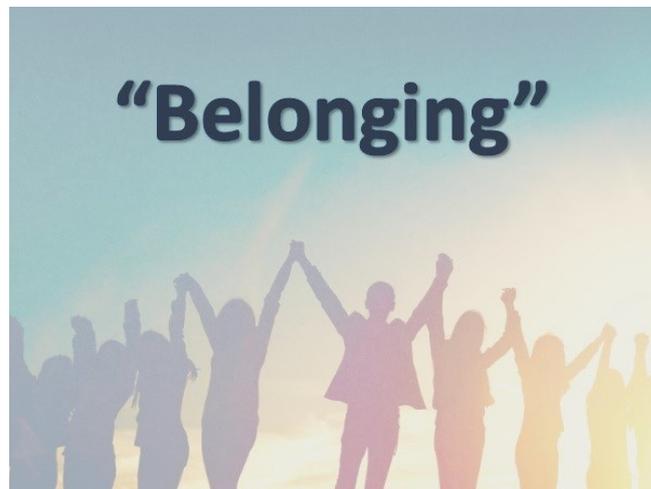
The new Diocesan document "**The Communion Rite**" and Workshop on the ministry of the role of an Extraordinary Minister (Communion Leader / Communion Minister / Special Minister) at Mass and Sunday Celebration of the Word with Communion. All Welcome. To help us have enough materials on the day please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

CHRISTIAN INTERFAITH - MORNING TEA

will be held on Thursday 2 May at 10:30 AM at St Patrick's Primary School, Wallsend. RSVP to Jenny Harris jenny.harris@mn.catholic.org.au, 4979 1111.

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.



PARISH EVALUATION 2018-2019

We welcome your responses so please take a Parish Evaluation 2018-2019 and take the time to complete it. Your ideas and comments assist our planning. Please place completed evaluations in the box provided no later than 19th May 2019.

LITURGYHELP

The online liturgy preparation resource available to all liturgical ministers in our diocese, has been massively expanded. Patrick Nesbit, who developed LiturgyHelp, is coming up from Tasmania for one weekend and will run training workshops to update users on the changes. Book now with sharon.murphy@mn.catholic.org.au or P 4979 1134 for a training session at the following locations:

- Muswellbrook – Fri 17 May – 5.30 to 7pm
- Forster – Sat 18 May – 11am to 12.30pm
- Newcastle West – Sun 19 May – 2 to 4pm

Further details on printed flyer or read more at <http://mnnews.today/liturgy-matters/2019/40184-liturgy-matters-new-liturgyhelp-workshops/>.

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.

MISSION: ONE HEART MANY VOICES CONFERENCE

Will be held from 13-15 May 2019 in Sydney. 500 delegates will gather again for the Australian church's premier conference on mission hosted by Catholic Mission and Catholic Religious Australia and endorsed by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. Mission: one heart many voices provides an opportunity for serious reflection on the role of mission which is at the heart of church life. Dialogue then leads to action as we work together to build the community of faith.

<https://mohmv.com.au/2019conference/registration.html>

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> | | | |
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| | | <u>THIS WEEK</u> | <u>NEXT WEEK</u> |
| <u>Presiders</u> | VIGIL: | M McFarlane | Mass |
| | 9.30: | J France | Mass |
| <u>PROCLAIMERS:</u> | VIGIL | J Vipian K Lendon | G Briggs M Foo |
| | 9.30 | H White B Nowak | J Vipian K Lendon |
| <u>MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST</u> | VIGIL | U France H White | M McFarlane M Gray U France |
| | 9.30 | J Douglas R Hay | D Peterson F Dunn T Pontifex |
| <u>GIFTS:</u> | VIGIL | XXXX | M Gray |
| | 9.30 | XXXX | L Fairhall |
| <u>SERVERS</u> | VIGIL | XXXX | M Melvey |
| | 9.30 | XXXX | G Dash |
| <u>AV:</u> | VIGIL | M Clipsham | D Peterson |
| | 9.30 | F Dunn | J Douglas |
| <u>WELCOMERS:</u> | VIGIL | J Scully | M Gray |
| | 9.30 | J Hutchins | B Nowak |
| <u>CHILDREN’S LITURGY:</u> | 9.30 | School Hols | R Turner J Ekezie |
| <u>CHURCH CLEANERS:</u> | COORAN-BONG: | A Dussin | K Lendon |
| | MORISSET: | C Vangsnes | R Hay |
| <u>COUNTING</u> | | Team D | Team A |

UPCOMING FEAST DAYS MEMORIALS AND SOLEMINITIES

- 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
- St Justin, martyr— 1st June
- The ASCENSION of the LORD— 2nd June
- Sts Charles Lwanga & companions, martyrs— 3rd June
- St Boniface, bishop, martyr— 5th June

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

Costantino Lappa, Bruce Gillett, Joan Gillett, Noel Maloney, Severino Cruz, Pamela Harrison.



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 5th May 2019. In the Callinan Centre, Rhonda Baldock, Rob Baldock, Lynne Fairhall, and Margaret Fowler to organsie. All Welcome.

SACRAMENTAL PROGAMS

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 2nd and Session 2 on Sunday 16th June 2019 both at 10.45am. For further information please contact the parish office Mon—Fri 9am –2pm.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Our first session begins this weekend of April 27th (Saturday Group at Cooranbong at 4.30pm in the Church) and April 28th (Sunday groups at Morisset at 10.30 am immediately following the Mass/Liturgy)

2020 KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT

There will an INFORMATION NIGHT and SCHOOL TOUR for parents wishing to enroll their children in KINDERGARTEN 2020. To be held on Wednesday May 1 2019 at St John Vianney Catholic School Yambo St, Morisset School Tour at 6:30 pm with Meeting at 7pm. Enquiries: P 49734073 or Website: www.morisset.catholic.edu.au

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.***

First Reading

Acts 5:12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:2-4. 22-27. R. v.1

**(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.**

1. Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.' **(R.)**
2. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **(R.)**
3. O Lord, grant us salvation;
O Lord grant success.
Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord;
the true God is our light. **(R.)**

Second Reading

Rv 1:9-13, 17-19

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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