

We Remember those in God's Care

- ❖ *all who have died recently;*
- ❖ *all whose anniversaries occur now.*

We Pray for

- ❖ Margaret Collin, Steve Clark Ryan, Leo Caffery, Sebastian Geisler, Tim O'Neill, and all our sick.

Healing Mass

On Saturday May 16 at 10.00am there will be a healing Mass at St James Church, 165 Cleveland Road, Coorparoo for families, mothers especially, who have suffered the loss of a child through miscarriage, still birth or neo natal death, for example.

If you know of anyone, family, relatives or friends who are still hurting from this loss, please let them know of this Mass.

Saturday after Mother's Day has been deliberately chosen to offer support and healing to those who were unable to receive thanks for the gift of life from these little ones.

Yet, we believe they are alive with God, and grateful for the life that was given them.

Fr Dan Benedetti Missionaries of God's Love

will celebrate Mass in Brisbane

on Sunday 17th May commencing 4.30pm

in the Chapel of The Little King Movement

Corner of Carl and O'Keefe St Buranda/Woolloongabba,

Entrance Carl Street. *Mass afternoon tea everyone welcome*

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Thinking of making
or renewing
your Will?



Please think of us.

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OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH in the care of the Carmelites since 1937

5th Sunday of Easter **10 May 2009**

Living in communion with God

The readings in this weekend's Mass provide us with some simple yet eloquent truths about what it means to be in communion with God and with each other.

In the first reading we encounter a post Damascus Saul, one still held in fear by the disciples, for whom he had, until recently, been their chief tormentor. It is not until the intervention of Barnabas who invites Saul into community that Saul/Paul becomes an accepted member of the community of disciples and is able to realize his mission to evangelize the new church. One key observation from this reading is the importance of belonging in community. As a new Christian, Saul was not able to fully realize his potential until he was accepted into the community of disciples.

In the second reading, John provides us with the two necessary ingredients for a thriving Christian community; faith in God and love for one another. Two simple yet eloquent truths. Apply these to your life in this community and watch the change it brings.

In the Gospel, perhaps one of the best known parables in the Bible, Jesus presents us with the most eloquent of truths, the intertwining of God and us when we choose to follow him, to be in communion with him. As Jesus says, we are as one entity, he the vine and we the branches. He then frames his relationship with God the Father as that between the vine and the vine dresser. He makes it clear that those who chose not to be with him will be removed like the dead branches whilst those who are with him will be pruned so that they can bear more fruit.

Then he adds the main message of his story. You are already pruned because I have spoken to you. Because you have received the Word of God.

The main message from today's Gospel and readings is that in communion with God we can achieve great things. We can become the best that we can be. To be in communion with God we need to have faith in him, which means we need to hear and act on his word. We do this by loving one another.

Simple yet eloquent truths to live your life by.

PARISH MASS TIMES

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil ó 6 pm;
Sunday - 7.30 am, 9.30 am

Weekdays *this week*:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 9 am

RECONCILIATION

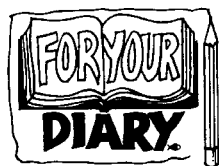
Saturdays 9.30 am ó 10 am

MEDITATION

Wednesdays 6.30 am ó 7 pm

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

by appointment



SUNDAY 17 MAY SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17

Clergy Foundation Appeal

CLOW at 9.30 am Mass

Monday 18 May

Little Rock Scripture Study Group in
Church, 9.45 am

St Vincent de Paul Meeting in Carmel
Community Room, 7.30 pm

Thursday 21 May

Mt Carmel Bus Trip to Marian Valley
Leaving church 9 am [**Fully Booked**]

Readers Preparation in sacristy, 7.30pm

CLERGY FOUNDATION APPEAL

They give us the best years of
their livesõ show them we care! q

Annual Clergy Foundation Appeal will be held next weekend 16/17 May 2009

The Foundation cares for all sick and
retired priests in the Archdiocese and
depends heavily on our help to meet
the ever increasing cost of this care.
Please support the Foundation and
come prepared to give next weekend.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Last Tuesday, we commenced our process of preparation for 61 young people to receive the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. Their profiles will appear on the rear wall of the church over the next few weeks. A great exercise would be to select a child that you do not know and pledge to hold them in prayer for the duration of their preparation. If you tell Fr Laurie your choice, he will happily pass on this good news to the child and family

Laurie

Get Involved Globally (GIG)

Are you interested in travelling to experience how the majority of the world's people live? Would you consider being part of an international immersion program in Timor-Leste? Catholic Mission, in conjunction with North-East Deanery Youth Ministry, is looking for people to 'Get Involved Globally', by taking part in a forthcoming trip to Timor-Leste, the world's newest independent nation. This opportunity is particularly ideal for young adults looking to consider issues of social justice, evangelisation and their part in Mission, through the eyes of their own faith. Consider how you can be a part of making a difference, not only in the lives of the people of Timor-Leste but also in your own life. To enquire about this unique opportunity, including details such as costs, travel arrangements and other logistics, please email, in the first instance, Brisbane Archdiocesan Director of Catholic Mission, David McGovern or call the Brisbane office on (07) 3336 9239.

This week at Mt Carmel

Today is 10 May

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31 1 John 3:18-24

John 15:1-8

Baptism Sunday

CLOW at 9.30 am Mass

Monday 11 May

Rosary after 9 am Mass

Little Rock Scripture Study Group in
Church, 9.45 am

Wednesday 13 May

RCIA meeting in Carmel Community
Room, 7.30 pm

Thursday 14 May

Readers Preparation in sacristy, 7.30pm