



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH
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Pentecost Sunday

31 May 2009

Cycle for Safety 5 July 2009

We are having a fun(d) raising community activity to assist in enhancing the safety of our parish and school grounds. All are invited to cycle, walk or ride the Fernvale to Lowood Rail Trail or whichever portion of it you like. See the following website http://www.railtrail.com/qld/bvrt_fernvale_lowood.htm

Help us make the parish safe and accessible for all, while enjoying a great healthy family activity. Mark the date, more info to follow!!!

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We Remember those in God's Care

- ❖ *all who have died recently;*
- ❖ *Madeleine Mary Hanman, Patricia Moffett, and all whose anniversaries occur now.*

We Pray for

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

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YOUR GENEROSITY
can live on!
Thinking of making
or renewing
your Will?

Please think of us.
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“What did you think of the movie about William Wilberforce?” I asked a friend at Mt Carmel early last year. “Who? Never heard of him.”

Scarcely able to credit such ignorance about one of Christianity’s most extraordinary Spirit-led social justice activists I went on to ask several other Catholics – with the same result. Initially I attempted to defend the blank responses by reminding myself that Wilberforce was, after all, a “non Catholic”. Still, so outstanding was Wilberforce’s contribution to a saner, fairer world that ignorance of him seemed nothing short of astonishing.

Not long afterwards I fell to wondering if similar levels of ignorance existed in reverse. So the next time I met with friends at my inter-denominational meditation group at Yeronga I casually mentioned my indebtedness to St Ignatius. “I owe such a lot to Ignatius”, I ventured by the way of faith sharing, “He helped me find my soul, you know” I prompted, “The guy who started the Jesuits”. “Who? Sorry Heather, never heard of him, nor those others you said about.” Outwardly I showed no surprise but inwardly my soul was appalled. Not only do Christians from the various Christian denominations often not talk to each other but as a consequence they don’t know each others “heros”, in short they don’t know each other’s stories.....

Lord, I kept thinking , how can this be? Despite the historical divisions between the Churches, it’s the same Holy Spirit (“one Spirit, one faith, one Father of all.”) Ultimately, I reflected, we’re on the same team, surely. Coming from a Protestant background here was an issue I cared deeply about. Nudged by the Spirit to follow this lead, I promised God I’d do what I could to facilitate Coorparoo Christians at least meeting each other. So if you don’t know Jean Youall, Helen Barrett or Ray Kinne (each of whom gather Sunday by Sunday in their respective churches to worship the God of Jesus) do you not find this situation somewhat odd? I do, and I reckon the Spirit does too.

Today consider in what direction the Spirit might be nudging you. Just state from where you are – and don’t be afraid to start small. Maybe the little things in your family or workplace or community. Try doing little things with big love as opposed to big things with little love. At any rate listen with the “ear of your heart” to the Spirit’s promptings. After the Jewish proverb could well be right :- The person who saves a single life saves the world entire.

With the Spirit as your guide (it’s a relationship well worth cultivating) **celebrate** Pentecost. Happy Feast Day, everyone!

Heather Stabler Parishioner

PARISH MASS TIMES

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil ó 6 pm;
Sunday - 7.30 am, 9.30 am, 5.30 pm

Weekdays *this week*:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
& Saturday - 9 am
Wednesday ó Anointing Mass, 10 am

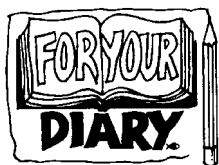
RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 9.30 am ó 10 am

MEDITATION

Wednesdays 6.30 am ó 7 pm

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS



SUNDAY 7 JUNE

TRINITY SUNDAY

Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40
Romans 8:14-17 Matthew 28:16-20

CLOW at 9.30 am Mass

Rosters

Ministers of the Word, Hospitality and Communion to the Sick rosters for June ó July are available from the table in the church foyer. Please remember to collect your copy.

This week at Mt Carmel

Today is 31 May Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11 Galatians 5:16-25
John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Baptism Sunday
CLOW at 9.30 am Mass

Monday 1 June

Rosary after 9 am Mass
Little Rock Scripture Study Group in Church, 9.45 am

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

Tuesday 2 June

Finance Council meeting in Carmel Community Room, 7.30 pm

Wednesday 3 June

Mass of Anointing, 10 am

Thursday 4 June

Readers Preparation in Sacristy, 7.30 pm

Mt Carmel Social Club



Marian Valley Bus Trip on
Thursday June 18
Book by Mon 15 June
John 3397 7281

What's Happening?

First of all, let us look at our draft Mission Statement again.

We are our Lady of Mount Carmel parish

Our mission is to live the Gospel Message of Jesus by sharing in a vibrant, relevant way the passion of our faith.

We are committed to welcoming, accepting and supporting all in their faith journey.

Our inclusive community seeks spiritual awakening and renewal, inspired by the Carmelite charism.

A reminder that individuals and the various parish groups are asked to devote some time to looking at this Statement and write or email any additions, amendments etc, by June 30th.

Don't forget to get fit and come along to Fernvale on July 5th to ride, walk, jog or crawl along the Fernvale to Lowood rail trail. This family friendly fun(d) raising day will assist the parish in providing some extra safety items around our church, and to help us to pay for the things already attended to. Stay tuned.

Continue please to pray for our younger parishioners who continue to prepare for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. Their pictures are s-l-o-w-l-y going up on the rear wall of the church.

Thanks to the great response to the second of our three school ministered Masses for 2009. The crowds are getting bigger, a great experience.

And finally congratulations to the Principal and staff at our primary school for our outstanding results in the 2007 numeracy and literacy tests. We even cracked front page of the *Courier Mail* which is usually reserved for far more trivial items. Well done.