

We Remember those in God's Care

- ❖ Camilla Allen, *and all who have died recently;*
- ❖ *all whose anniversaries occur now.*

We Pray for

- ❖ Dick Sefton, Patricia O'Brien, Gloria Zunker, Trish Gowdie, Margaret Nance, Delia Price, *and all our sick.*

At the Centre of Light 'The Mary MacKillop Story'

Join parishioners of the Brisbane East Deanery

at the 12th Night Theatre

on Saturday 21st August at 2pm

This is a fundraiser for the Brisbane East Deanery NET team so please come along, learn more about Australia's first saint and help our NET team reach out to the Youth of our parishes and schools.

Tickets are \$50 and are available by contacting Catherine on 3390 6570 or 0417 194 285 or Catherine@tmsqld.com

IGNITE GROUP REGISTRATION

The Brisbane East Deanery is sending a group to the Ignite Conference being held Sept school holidays (23-26 Sept) at Mueller Performing Arts Centre, Redcliffe. For more details <http://www.igniteconference.com.au/> If you wish to come with the Deanery group contact Ciára Retford 0410 895 723 or yc.carina@bne.catholic.net.au PLEASE DO NOT REGISTER ONLINE. Registrations forms to Ciára by 9th August.

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Office Hours:

8.30am - 4.30pm, Mondays-Thursdays

Stages of Faith Development:

Presenter: **Fr Dave Batey,**

When: Mon 16 Aug, 7pm

Where: St Paul's,

3 St Paul's Dve
(off Jean St), Woodridge.

RSVP: By Fri 13 Aug.

Further information:

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

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 August 2010

Greed is good! I was reminded of this on a recent trip to the movies. One of the previews was for the new Gordon Gekko movie, a sequel to the original Wall Street movie from the 1980's entitled: "Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps". One of the lines from the new movie has Gordon Gekko, played by Michael Douglas, fresh out of jail for his excesses of the 1980's stating: "Someone reminded me that I once said 'Greed is good'. Now it seems it's legal."

On the subject of greed, I must confess that I am writing this in my comfortable 5 bedroom house, sitting in my beautifully renovated kitchen, on one of the three computers that we have in our household while my 4 year old watches Sesame Street on one of our two televisions. I have no material needs that are not fulfilled.

And it occurs to me that Gordon Gekko is right! Not only is greed now legal in many quarters, but in our affluent western cultures, I believe we have lost all sense of perspective as to what constitutes greed. Just as I look at Gordon Gekko and his real-life contemporaries and conclude that they are greedy, would not a homeless person in Australia or a person from the slums in India or even an out-of-work family from the suburbs conclude that I am greedy?

The readings today are all about greed, avarice, striving for riches, vanity and foolishness. While we can all see that Gordon Gekko is afflicted by these imperfections, can we see that we as well, are caught up in a society that promotes all of these as totally acceptable, even as virtues.

The antidote to these socially acceptable sins is given in today's readings. The first reading from Ecclesiastes reminds us that "all is vanity". The second reading from Colossians exhorts us to think of heavenly things, not the things that are on the earth because we have died with Christ and our lives are now hidden with Christ in God. From the Gospel of Luke we are encouraged to be on our guard against avarice of any kind and reminded that our lives are not made secure by what we own.

A common thread linking all of today's readings is the temporary nature of our lives. The readings remind us that all of our strivings and greed and vanity will eventually count for nought. We will eventually leave this world exactly how we entered it and all of our possessions and riches will mean nothing. In fact, Jesus in the Gospel today calls us "foolish" if we focus on the acquisition of riches to the exclusion of the things that are really important.

I don't want to be thought of as "foolish" by Jesus. Do you?

Kathy Asnicar Parishioner

PARISH MASS TIMES

Weekends:

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

Weekdays *this week*:

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

RECONCILIATION

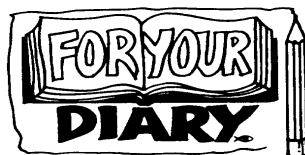
Saturdays 9.30 am – 10 am

MEDITATION

Wednesdays 6.30 am – 7 am

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

by appointment



SUNDAY 8 AUGUST 2010

Feast of Mary MacKillop

Judith 8:11-17, 28-31

Colossians 3:12-17

Matthew 6:25-34

Sr Rosemary Patterson speaking
 at all masses

Baptism Sunday

Thursday 12 August

Readers Preparation in Sacristy,
 7.30pm

SUNDAY 15 AUGUST 2010

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Lay Carmelites meeting in
 Carmel Community Room,
 10.30am

Monday 16 August

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

Thursday 19 August

Mt Carmel Social Club Meeting
 in Carmel Community Room,
 9.30 am

Readers Preparation in Sacristy,
 7.30pm

This week at Mt Carmel

Today is 1 August

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Luke 12:13-21

Mt Carmel School Fete

9.30 am – 3.30 pm

Monday 2 August

Rosary after 9 am Mass

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

Wednesday 4 August

Mass of Anointing, 10 am

Thursday 5 August

Readers Preparation in Sacristy, 7.30pm

SVDP Conference Report

At 30th of June each SVDP conference is required to report to SVDP State Council. The following balance is our report to the State Council and more importantly to you, our parishioners and benefactors.

Duncan Stuart, Secretary

SVDP Balance Sheet for 12 Months to 31/06/2010

Balance at 01/07/2009

\$10726

RECEIPTS

Pious stall sales "Catholic Leader", etc.	\$ 6401
Donations, Poor Box, Christmas collection	\$24341
SVDP member contributions	\$ 860

Total Receipts

\$31602

PAYMENTS

Pious stall including "Australian Catholic"	\$ 5896
Assistance to needy of parish	\$21002
Twinned Conferences in India	\$ 1000
Student Scholarship Mt Carmel school	\$ 600
Assist two students in India	\$ 140

Total payments

\$28638

Balance at 01/07/2010

\$13690

Open Morning: Seton College Mt Gravatt East

Tuesday 3rd August starting at 9 am

In the College Chapel with an Information Session followed by a tour of the College. The Open Morning will conclude at 10.30 am

SETON COLLEGE, a Catholic Co-educational College, is now accepting enrolment applications from students wishing to attend the College in Year 8, 2011, 2012 or 2013. Maximum Year 8 enrolment is 70 students.) The College accepts students of all abilities, but seeks to provide opportunities for students who need to 'pick up the pace' from their school work in the primary school years. This is done through a curriculum in which core subjects are offered at many levels and classes with a very favourable teacher – student ratio.