



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

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Sunday
12th February
2017



Sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
(Year A)

The Law of the Lamb

The readings this weekend pose a challenging question to us. "Is it enough to follow the law or should we do what's right?" The choice is ours to make.

Have you ever had occasion to contact the Customer Service department of any major organisation with a complaint about a faulty product or service only to be given the brush off with the 'Sorry it's not our policy' line or 'Sorry your warranty has just run out' etc. As a consumer/customer you have a right to be unjustly treated even though technically the company might be correct. It's the difference between acting within the letter of the law versus acting within the spirit of the law.

The readings today call us to go beyond acting strictly within the letter of the law and reach deeper and act within the spirit in which that law was intended. It's the difference between taking a legalistic approach to life versus a loving approach.

Thus Jesus calls us in the Gospel to go beyond the old laws of the Ten Commandments and live instead the spirit of what those commandments intended. So it's not good enough not to kill but to bear hatred in your heart for your fellow human being is just as bad. It's not good enough not to commit adultery but to look at enough lustfully is just as bad. Jesus is raising the bar here for those of us who choose to live the Gospel and follow him as disciples.

As Paul writes to the Corinthians in the second reading, these are the things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depth of everything, even the depths of God.

So here is a challenge for all of us this coming week. How can we live the law of the Lamb and go beyond the letter of the law and apply the spirit of what that law intended, to do what's right for that situation? Pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance, and you will be amazed at what can happen when you live by the spirit of the law.

God Bless

Ben Norris (Parishioner)

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PARISH MASS TIMES

Weekends

Saturday Vigil: 6pm

Sunday: 8:30am & 5:30pm

Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday
to Saturday 9am

Tuesday: Communion Service 9am

A Mass of Anointing is held on the first Wednesday of every month at 10:00am followed by morning tea.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 9:30am to 10:00am

Rosary: Mondays after 9:00am Mass

Our Church is always open during daylight hours, to allow you the opportunity to come in and spend some time with Our Lord.

Next Sunday's Readings

19 February 2017

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23;
Matthew 5:38-48

PARISH AND SCHOOL WORKING BEE

The first of the two **School + Parish Working Bees** for the year is Sunday 26th February.

The last working bee was in October so there is a fair amount that needs to get done around the place in terms of general maintenance and tidying. So we will need all hands on deck.

Eucharistic Ministers

INVITATION FOR NEW MINISTERS

Parishioners who would like to join the Eucharistic Minister Roster are invited to contact the Parish Office next week to register. On Wednesday 15 February from 8pm–8:30pm in the Church, there will be a training session for new Eucharistic Ministers. A new three month roster will be developed beginning in March and it will include new ministers as well as all current ministers.

BRISBANE EAST DEANERY Meeting will be held

on Wednesday 22 February, 7pm

at Sts Peter & Paul Parish Hall,

25 Main Avenue, Bulimba.

Parishioners very welcome to attend.

ABORTION OUTREACH

Abortion Bills *Abortion Rethink* letter-writing stalls

Following the 6pm Vigil Mass, the 8:30am and 5:30pm Sunday Masses on the weekend of 11/12 February, there will be a stall set up outside church manned by a team of people to assist those parishioners who may wish to write a letter to their State MP opposing the proposed Queensland law allowing **abortion right up until the date of delivery for any reason**.



Parish Diary

- Wed 15** RCIA meet at 7:30pm
- Thur 16** Mt Carmel Seniors Social Club AGM will be held at 10am
- Sun 19** Lay Carmelites meet
- Mon 20** St Vincent de Paul meet at 7.30pm
- Wed 22** RCIA meet at 7:30pm
- Thu 23** Mt Carmel Seniors Social Club AGM will be held at 10am
Parish Pastoral Council meet at 7pm
- March**
- Wed 1** Ash Wednesday
- Sun 5** First Sunday of Lent

This weekend we welcome
Oliver Hamish Scott



and
Patrick Frame

into our
Mt Carmel Community



PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES 2017

CONFIRMATION (Year 3)

Parents formation / information session

7pm-8pm Thursday 27 April School Hall

Parents formation / information session

7pm-8pm Thursday 3 May School Hall

Rite of Enrolment Sunday

Saturday 6 May/Sunday 7 May All Masses

Rite of Confirmation Church

5pm and 7pm Tuesday 13 June

5pm and 7pm Tuesday 20 June

FIRST EUCHARIST (Year 4)

Parents formation / information session

7pm-8pm Thursday 27 July School Hall

Parents formation / information session

7pm-8pm Thursday 2 August School Hall

Rite of Enrolment Sunday

Saturday 5 August/Sunday 6 August All Masses

Celebration of First Holy Communion

Saturday 2 September/Sunday 3 September
All Masses

Saturday 9 September/Sunday 10 September
All Masses

Please mark your diary with these important dates.

Information packages are available from the parish office for parents of children not at Mt Carmel School.



Enrolments for Prep at

Our Lady of Mt Carmel 2018

Enrolments are now being accepted at Our Lady of Mt Carmel for Prep in 2018.

Enrolment forms can be downloaded from our website www.mtcarmelcoorparoo.qld.edu.au or collected from the school office. Our enrolment policies can be viewed at our website.

Enrolment applications are due **Friday 17 March 2017.**

Interviews for places for next year will commence Thursday 20 April 2017.

The table below indicates age eligibility dates for Prep for 2018 enrolments. Please contact the school should you have any further enquiries.

Children born	Eligible for Prep Year in
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	2018
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	2019

Reflection on **THE BEATITUDES**

The second step: **BE GENTLE!** You must learn to practice gentleness. Advancing along the way of Gospel holiness, sincerity and gentleness are essential steps to take particularly in your relationships with each other. Sincerity and gentleness are an indication that you are on the right path and that God is with you! *Particularly be gentle in your relationship with the earth. Gentleness will be your certainty to inheriting the earth.*

APPEAL— LITTLE KING'S MOVEMENT

Will take place at each of the Masses on weekend of 18/19 February. This is an annual event to support the ministry towards all who are physically or emotionally disadvantaged. Please give generously.

Mass Intentions

Recently Deceased:

Zelda Bickerstaff, Isabel Coleman,
Jan Niall IBVM, Christine Orazio, Beverley
Power.

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord ...

Anniversaries and Memorials:

Paul Stanhope, Shane O'Connor O.Carm.

We pray for our sick...

Teresa Nunan, Michael Roache, Damian
Holt, Wanda Stumpf, Sandra Hart, Mary
Hannah, David Isaacs, Clare Kinross, Liliana
Erceq, Sue Fennell-Ivas.

*There are envelopes at the back of the Church
for your Mass intentions. These can be given to
one of the Priests.*

This list will be renewed each month.

CLAIRVAUX MACKILLOP COLLEGE

COLLEGE TOUR DAYS

Friday, 3 March 2017: 9.00am – 11.00am

**Presentation in the Auditorium followed by the
College tour with our Student Leaders.**

**There is an opportunity to meet with our Principal
and members of the Leadership Team.**

Bookings recommended.

**To book a space, please contact our Enrolment
Officer – ph. 3347 9223 or email:**

SETON COLLEGE

OPEN MORNING

Tuesday 7 March at 9am

**In the College Chapel with an Information Session
followed by a tour of the College. Concludes
10.30am.**

**Seton College, Mt Gravatt East is a Catholic Co-
education College, now accepting enrolment
applications for Year 7 in 2018 and 2019.**

**Please obtain an enrolment package online at
www.seton.qld.edu.au or phone 3291 5333**

Next Week's Rosters 18/19 February

Ministers of the Word

6.00pm: Sue Delaney, Michael Barry.

8.30am: Anne McKenny, Patricia Mitchell.

5.30pm: Jane O'Brien, Jacqueline Weidman.
(Facilitator: Michael Barry)

Ministers of Communion

6.00pm: G Brown, L Capra, S Capra, S
Delaney, M Moore, G Pandey.

8.30am: N Ansell, M Dell, A Sim, A Thomas,
P Weatherley, G Woodard, L Woods.

5.30pm: D Austin, C Bach, J Godwin,
L Murphy, L Pertnikovs, C Turvey, B Wright.

Communion to the Sick

Samantha Robinson, Helen Robinson,
Sr Madonna Josey, Irene McCarthy.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Kate Thurecht and Maria Beconsall.

Reflection

Jane Connolly.

Musicians

6pm: Tricia, Gary.

8:30am: Rita, Mick, Joan, John P.

5:30pm: Garry, Mark, Vanessa.

Data Projection

6pm: Paul Heffernan.

8:30am: David Dixon.

5:30pm: Ben England.

Mass Welcoming - Hospitality

6:00pm: Geoff and Catherine Brown.

8:30am: Jan Seymour.

5:30pm: The Sullivan Family.