

# Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



James 2:18

Show me your faith apart from your works and I by my works will show you my faith

**Parish Office Hours:** Tuesday & Wednesday from 9:30am to 12:00pm

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## MASS TIMES

**Saturday (Vigil) - 6pm**

**Sunday - 9:30am & 5:30pm**

**Monday - 8am**

**Tuesday - 10am**

**2nd Tues of month: Anointing of the sick**

**Wednesday - 8:00am**

**Thursday - 7pm**

**Friday - 8am**

**Reconciliation**

Sat 5:30 to 5:50pm before Vigil

Sun 9 to 9.20am & 5.00 to 5:20pm

**Baptism and Marriage - By appointment**

**Working Bee - Sat 9am to 11am**

## PARISH NOTICES

### Parish Register:

To assist our new Parish Priest we are compiling a register of all IHM Parishioners. Please email your details, email, phone, address etc to thurgoonacatholicparish@hotmail.com.

**Readers :** Sat: 6.00pm

Sun: 9.30am

**Next week:** Sat: 6.00pm Magdalene Kaur

Sun: 9.30am Stefany George

**Cleaning Roster:** Sat 30th Oct

Mary & Ann Marie



**Financial Report** Cheques payable to IHM Parish Account

Direct Debit: BSB640000: Acc. No.111270902 Include name on transfers.

**1st Coll:** \$0.00

**2nd Coll:** \$0.00

**Env:** \$0.00

**Dir Debit:** \$425.00

## DIOCESAN COVID 19 PROTOCOLS

- Register - QR Codes preferred.
- Wear a Mask
- No Singing

- Physical distancing  
Different households 1.5m apart.



**Taking Communion:** As per our NSW Gov. Covid Safe Plan we strongly encourage you to take communion on the hand due to the high risk of transmission and the concern of other parishioners.

If you are to have communion on the tongue you must wait until everyone has received communion on the hand and be at the end of the line.

**Please take your bulletin home to minimise virus spread**

**Collect**

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**First reading****Jeremiah 31:7-9**

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout: 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

**Responsorial Psalm****Psalm 125(126)**

*The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.*

**Second reading****Hebrews 5:1-6**

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was.

Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: *You are my son, today I have become your father*; and in another text: *You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever*.

**Gospel Acclamation****cf 2 Timothy 1:10**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

**Gospel****Mark 10:46-52**

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man.

‘Courage,’ they said, ‘get up; he is calling you.’ So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, ‘What do you want me to do for you?’ ‘Rabbuni,’ the blind man said to him ‘Master, let me see again.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Go; your faith has saved you.’ And immediately his sight returned, and he followed him along the road. *universalis.com*

### **Prayers of the Faithfull**

For people who live on the streets without homes or hope: that they will find sanctuary, security and loving support.

We pray to the Lord.

**R.** Lord hear our prayer.

**For our sick,** Laurie Evans, Richard Drum, Tony Abikhair, Katerie Byrnes, Gary Smith, Mathew Smith, Wendy Mills, & Carmel Baker.

We pray to the Lord.

**R.** Lord hear our prayer.

**For our recently departed,** Margaret Barlow and those who’s anniversaries occur at this time, Ernest Desnousse, Faye Duncombe, Anna Stempinska & William Fowles

We pray to the Lord.

**R.** Lord hear our prayer.

### **Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 19: 6**

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

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### **MARTHA'S KITCHEN**

A new Parish Project instigated by the Legion of Mary called Martha's Kitchen is now operating from the Marian Centre Kitchen. Food, freshly cooked and placed in containers is being delivered to the poor, the sick and the needy.

Like Mary and Martha in the Gospel, we seek your prayers as well as participation in this heart warming project. Any unperishable foods in your pantry would be greatly appreciated in Martha's

pantry. Cake stalls are being organised for next week after all our Masses to keep the Kitchen going.

Any cakes or slices would be greatly appreciated and if possible could they be dropped off at the Marian Centre on Saturday morning or we could arrange for Shane, our delivery man to pick them up.

We invite you to be part of Martha's Kitchen whether it be by being a Mary or a Martha.



*Shane, delivery man and onion peeler.*



### **Feasts & Solemnities**

**Feast:** Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles - Thursday 28th Oct

## SUNDAY CONNECTION: BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL

Today in Mark's Gospel we find evidence of Jesus' fame in the sizable crowd that accompanies him on his way to Jerusalem. Jesus' reputation as a healer has preceded him. When the blind man, Bartimaeus, hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, he calls out to him, asking for his pity. The crowd around him tries to silence him but Bartimaeus persists, calling out more loudly and with greater urgency. He will not be silenced or deterred from getting Jesus' attention. How quickly the crowd's reaction changes when Jesus calls for Bartimaeus. Those who sought to quiet him now encourage him. When Jesus restores Bartimaeus's sight, no elaborate action is required. (In other healing stories, actions accompany Jesus' words). Jesus simply says that Bartimaeus's faith has saved him.



Throughout Mark's Gospel, the success of Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the faith of the person requesting His help. It is because of her faith that the woman with the haemorrhage is healed. When faith is absent, Jesus cannot heal; we see this after his rejection in Nazareth. Once his sight has been restored, Bartimaeus follows Jesus on the way to Jerusalem. In Mark's Gospel, Bartimaeus is the last disciple called by Jesus before he enters Jerusalem.

Bartimaeus heard that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by but he called out using words of faith "Son of David." Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Jewish Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Bartimaeus's words prepare us for the final episodes of Mark's Gospel, beginning with Jesus' preparation for the Passover and his triumphant entry into Jerusalem. As Mark has shown us in our readings over the past few Sundays, however, Jesus will be the Messiah in a way that will be difficult for many to accept. Jesus will show himself to be the Messiah through his suffering and death

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## WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO FOR YOU?

Consider how we would answer if Jesus asked us, "What do you want me to do for you?" How would you reply to Jesus? There's no better answer to that question than that provided by St. Peter Faber S.J., a co-founder of the Society of Jesus, in his "Prayer for Detachment":

"I beg of you, my Lord, to remove anything which separates me from you, and you from me. Remove anything that makes me unworthy of your sight, your control, your rephension; of your speech and conversation, of your benevolence and love.

Cast from me every evil that stands in the way of my seeing you, hearing, tasting, savouring, and touching you; fearing and being mindful of you; knowing, trusting, loving, and possessing you; being conscious of your presence and, as far as may be, enjoying you. This is what I ask for myself and earnestly desire from you. Amen."



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