

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



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MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) - 5pm
Sunday 9:30am
Monday 8am
Tuesday 10am
Wednesday 8:00am
Thursday 5:30pm Mass,
Holy Hour 4:30pm
Friday 8am
Saturday 8am

Anointing of the sick Mass
2nd Tues of month, March June Sept Dec.

Reconciliation
Thurs during Holy Hour 4:45 - 5:15pm
Sat 4:30 to 4:55pm before Vigil
Sun 9 to 9.25am
Or anytime, just ask Fr

Baptism and Marriage By appointment



Working Bee - Sat 9am to 11am



21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

21/08/2022

First reading

Isaiah 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 116(117)

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Second reading

Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he

loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, ‘Sir, will there be only a few saved?’ He said to them, ‘Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed. ‘Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, “Lord, open to us” but he will answer, “I do not know where you come from.” Then you will find yourself saying, “We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets” but he will reply, “I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!”

‘Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. ‘Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.’

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Prayers of the Faithfull:

For our sick, Graham Murphy, Dora Croce, Greg Baker, Fr John Speakman
Joan Jacobs, Gwen Abikhair, Sam Courtella, Noel Ryan and Jackson Davis.

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

For our recently departed, Sr Ellen Marie Quinn, Julie Rigby, Julie Osborne,
Terence Clancy and those who’s anniversaries occur at this time including
John Hicks, Joyce Doolan, Richard Westblade, Mary O’Brien, Peter Maclean
and Lawrence Carrol.

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 6: 54

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, says the Lord, and
I will raise him up on the last day.

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PARISH NOTICES

Adult Faith Education: Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm in the Parish Centre. All welcome. See Fr Anthony for further information.

The parish Sacramental Programme continues this week with preparations for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday at 3:45pm till 5:00pm in the Parish Centre. If you have any children in Year 3 or older who have not yet received the Sacrament and you would like them to do so, please come along. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a pre-requisite for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion commencing at the end of October, 2022. Your help in notifying other families who may not see this notice is greatly appreciated.

31 Club: A simple yet highly effective activity where we pray locally for vocations. It is a true response to Christ's call, "Pray to the Lord of the harvest that there be labourers for the vineyard. You attend Mass on your chosen day to pray for vocations. You may also *optionally* provide a Mass stipend for the priest to offer Mass specifically for that intention as well. Prayer cards and bookmarks are available on the table in the middle of the church. Please nominate a day on the sheet provided

Legion of Mary: Mondays 9:30am, Tuesdays 8:45am

Martha's Kitchen is a project of the Legion of Mary. If you know of someone who would like a meal delivered contact Sandy or Pauline 0419 807 065

Mobile Phones: Please mute your mobile or turn it off during Mass.



Readers: Sat: 5:00pm Mary Seidel Sun: 9:30am Mark Mannering

Next week: Sat: 5:00pm Denis Golden Sun: 9:30am Stefany George

Cleaning Roster: Sat 27th Aug Denis



COVID 19 & Flu Season



- Do not enter the church with a fever, bad cough, fatigue, sore throat, shortness of breath or if you are generally sick or unwell.
- Wearing a Face Mask is strongly recommended and encouraged.
- To receive Holy Communion on the tongue please approach after those who have received on the hand.

GATEWAY TO LIFE

Jesus doesn't answer the question put to Him in this Sunday's Gospel. It profits us nothing to speculate on how many will be saved. What we need to know is what He tells us today, how to enter into salvation and how urgent it is to strive now, before the Master closes the door.

Jesus is "the narrow gate," the only way of salvation, the path by which all must travel to enter the kingdom of the Father.

Scott Hahn: stpaulcenter.com





LEGION OF MARY NEWS

On Monday the Legionaries gathered in the Parish Gardens with Fr Anthony to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption and to bless the “Vexillum Legionis” Plaque which has great significance to the Legion.

The *Vexillum Legionis* is an adaptation of the standard of the Roman Legion. The eagle which surmounted the standard is replaced by the Dove, the emblem of the Holy Spirit. Beneath the Dove is the inscription “Legio Mariae” (Legion of Mary) and an oval frame bearing a representation of the Immaculate Conception (the Miraculous Medal). The standard is set on a globe which conveys the idea that the world is to be conquered by the Holy Spirit acting through Mary and her children.

The Legion of Mary was founded in Dublin Ireland in 1921 by Frank Duff. Frank saw a great need for ordinary Catholics to be involved in the work of evangelisation, something which until then had been the sole realm of priests and religious. He met with a group of 11 women and a priest on 7 September 1921 and held the first Legion meeting. One of the first works carried out by the Legion members was to go into a red-light district in Dublin renowned for its high crime rate. It was so bad that the authorities had turned a blind eye for many years. Frank was already quite well known through his involvement in the St Vincent de Paul Society and he was able to infiltrate this district where others had failed. With his gentle and unassuming manner he managed to organise retreats for the street girls, bringing many of them back to the practice of their faith and turning away from their life of sin.

He eventually set up hostels for single women and for destitute men both of which are still operational today.

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The Legion welcomes everyone as either Active or Auxiliary members to come and join in honouring Our Blessed Mother through our works and prayers.