

# Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



**27<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**2/10/2022**

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## MASS TIMES

**Saturday (Vigil) - 6pm**

**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 9.00am to 11am**



## First reading

**Habakkuk 1:2-3,2:2-4**

How long, O Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save? Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes.

Then the Lord answered and said, 'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

## Responsorial Psalm

**Psalm 94(95):1-2,6-9**

*If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.*

## Second reading

**2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14**

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of

witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God. Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**1 Pet 1:25**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever;  
it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

### **Gospel**

**Luke 17:5-10**

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"?' Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"?' Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told?

So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty." *universalis.com*

### **Prayers of the Faithfull:**

**For our sick**, Graeme Murphy, Gwen Abikhair, Noel Ryan, Jackson Davis, Greg Baker, Seamus Clancy and Joan Jacobs.

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

**For our recently departed**, Queen Elizabeth II and those who's anniversaries occur at this time including those mentioned on the bulletin Anniversary list.

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### **Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. 1 Cor 10: 17**

Though many, we are one bread, one body, for we all partake of the one Bread and one Chalice. *universalis.com*

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Enso Croce, Ernest Denouse, Gordon Farquha, William Francis Fowles, Nicholas Gleeson, Georgina Nelson, Paulinus Oboshi, Anna Stempinska, Janusz Ziolkowski, Margaret Doyle, Kathleen Spangler, Faye Duncombe, Margaret Barlow and Marie Honey.

**Readers:** Sat: 5:00pm Peter Tobin

Sun: 9:30am Stefany George

**Next week:** Sat: 6:00pm Mary Seidel

Sun: 9:30am Simon Horsfall

**Cleaning Roster:** Sat 8th Oct Denis



## PARISH COUNCIL

Maria Sparshott (Chair)

Denis Devcich

Jodie Cunningham

Simon Horsfall (Deputy Chair)

Denis Golden

Mark Mannering

Sandy Zeromski (Secretary)

Mary Seidel

## PARISH NOTICES

**Sat Vigil Daylight Saving Time:** From next Saturday the evening Vigil Mass will be at 6pm for the duration of daylight saving.

**Photos for new website:** We will soon be taking photos in and around the church to appear on the new website and need some parishioners to appear in the photos. If you can help please see Fr Anthony.

**Our Blessed Mother Statue:** If you would like the statue for a week in your home, record your name in the roster in the Church Foyer. Contact Denis Golden for further information.

**Adult Faith Education:** Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm in the Parish Centre

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

## Salesians of Don Bosco - Volunteer Opportunities:

Our volunteer placements run for 6-12 mths and are centered around working with young people in educational settings. We are currently recruiting for Cambodia, Samoa, Timor Leste, Australia and the Solomon Islands for Jan 2023 departure. We aim to utilise the skills and talents of our volunteers to provide the best possible contribution to the host community.

The experience as a Cagliero volunteer is not about the volunteer but is focused on the people we go to serve. However, serving as a Cagliero volunteer will probably be the most rewarding thing you ever do!

For more information, go to [cagliero.org.au](http://cagliero.org.au) or email Lauren Hichaaba, [lhichaaba@salesians.org.au](mailto:lhichaaba@salesians.org.au). Applications close October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

## LIFE OF FAITH

We hear in today's First Reading the original prophetic line made so central by St. Paul. We are to live by faith in Christ who loved us and gave Himself on the Cross for us. The strife and discord we face in our own lives can sometimes cause us to wonder, as the prophet does, why God doesn't seem to hear or intervene when we cry for help. We can't let our hearts be hardened by the trials we undergo. If we call on the Lord, as the Apostles do in today's Gospel, He will increase our faith, will stir to a flame the Holy Spirit who has dwelt within us since Baptism. As Paul tells us in today's Epistle, the Lord will always give us the love and self-control we need to bear our share of hardship for the Gospel - with a strength that can come from God alone.

One day, though we are but "unprofitable servants," we will be invited to eat and drink at our Master's table. It is that day we anticipate with each celebration of the Eucharist.

*Scott Hahn: [stpaulcenter.com](http://stpaulcenter.com)*

## FEAST OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI - 4/10/2022

The patron saint of Italy, Francis of Assisi was a poor little man who astounded and inspired the Church by taking the gospel literally - not in a narrow



fundamentalist sense, but by actually following all that Jesus said and did, joyfully, without limit, and without a sense of self-importance. Serious illness brought the young Francis to see the emptiness of his frolicking life as leader of Assisi's youth. Prayer led him to a self-emptying like that of Christ, climaxed by embracing a leper he met on the road. It symbolized his complete obedience to what he had heard in prayer. From the cross in the neglected field-chapel of San Damiano, Christ told him, "Francis, go out and build up my house, for it is nearly falling down." Francis became the totally poor and humble

workman. He must have suspected a deeper meaning to "build up my house." But he would have been content to be for the rest of his life the poor "nothing" man actually putting brick on brick in abandoned chapels. He gave up all his possessions, piling even his clothes before his earthly father - who was demanding restitution for Francis' "gifts" to the poor - so that he would be totally free to say, "Our Father in heaven." He was at first considered to be a religious fanatic, begging from door to door when he could not get money for his work, evoking sadness or disgust from his former friends.

But genuineness will tell. A few people began to realize that this man was actually trying to be Christian. He really believed what Jesus said: "Announce the kingdom! Possess no gold or silver or copper in your purses, no traveling bag, no sandals, no staff" (Luke 9:1-3). Francis had no intention of founding an order, but once it began he protected it and accepted all the legal structures needed to support it. His devotion and loyalty to the Church were absolute and highly exemplary at a time when various movements of reform tended to break the Church's unity. Francis was torn between a life devoted entirely to prayer and a life of active preaching of the Good News. He decided in favour of the latter, but always returned to solitude when he could. He wanted to be a missionary but was prevented by shipwreck and illness in both cases. He did try to convert the sultan of Egypt during the Fifth Crusade. During the last years of his relatively short life, Francis was half blind and seriously ill.

Two years before his death he received the stigmata, the real and painful wounds of Christ in his hands, feet and side. *Summary: franciscanmedia.org*

**Prayer of St Francis of Assisi:** Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.