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Proper of the Mass

First Reading:

Apoc 11:19, 12:1-6,10

Second Reading:

1 Cor 15:20-26

Gospel: Lk 1:39-56

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 15TH AUGUST 2021

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

What interesting times we find ourselves in. I use that word extremely carefully because *interesting* would not be every person's first choice of adjectives for these *times*. Indeed, there is plenty of *interest* in current, pandemic-related events – how many COVID cases were there today; when can I receive the vaccination jab; do I still need to wear a mask, and so-on – but at face value, the unpredictable nature of the pandemic seems far from *interesting*.

We humans have short memories and it's easy to forget that contemporary *times* have always had their difficulties punctuated by hardship, fear and uncertainty. What strikes me though, is that through all these difficulties – droughts, floods, bushfires, financial crises and pandemics – human beings continue to flourish – why? Because we're designed that way. And if God built us that way, then there must be *gift* – God's gift – in every difficulty/crisis/event that induces in us feelings of fear and uncertainty. The celebration of St Mary's Assumption, body and soul, into heaven is an important celebration in our liturgical calendar which offers both hope and certainty that God is with us and that no matter what happens in our world, we are loved and not forgotten.

God's active presence in our world – some call it Providence, others Grace – is the reason that these *times* are indeed *interesting*. Rather than getting bogged down in the self-referential mire of desiring the way things *used to be* (not just referring to pre-pandemic times I suggest with a little tongue-in-cheek), *Providence* calls us forward into newness of life; to leave behind the old Law and ways, as the first Christians did, and look to the ways in which God is calling us in the here and now.

Mary's Dormition – as the Assumption is sometimes called: Mary's *falling asleep* – is God's guarantee that "those who belong to him," as St Paul teaches in today's second reading, "will be brought to life in Christ." The perfect irony for us, however, is that "life in Christ" happens not just when we die and are taken up into the bosom of our loving God, but here in this life when we realise that God is actively present in our world – perhaps especially in difficult, uncertain times.

The *gift* of these interesting times is that *difficulty* forces us to broaden our horizons and look outward from ourselves, from our self-referential, insular ways of thinking, to the margins where God is firmly rooted with those who belong to him: with the poor, the forgotten and the unloved (*cf.* Mt 25:35-36). There are many victims of COVID, for example, where we can encounter God – not just those who have died, nor just the patients and front line workers in hospitals – but those who pass by our consciences largely unseen. The unseen victims of COVID are both where God is rooted and where our opportunity for new life lie.

Unless we're front line workers, we can't visit COVID patients in hospital, but we can visit isolated people in our community. Unless we can influence economic policy, we can't alleviate those suffering from economic oppression beyond a generous donation to charity, but we can stand in solidarity with them, demanding political economic reform. Unless we're trained in mental health first aid, there's not much we can do to directly help those suffering from mental ill-health, but we can give them the gift of ourselves in non-judgemental love and acceptance.

Friends, Mary's Assumption into heaven, body and soul, means so much more than the obvious. It means that even in these interesting times, God's resurrected Son is deeply present in our world, and that he cries out in desire to be recognised and loved "in the least of [his] brothers and sisters" (Mt 25:40).

Peace and blessings on your week. Fr Josh

50 YEARS OF SERVICE

Since the foundation of our Parish back in 1972 we have been blessed with dedicated support staff in our parish Office – they have always worked above and beyond the call of duty! Last Wednesday Bishop Brian Heenan presented certificates of appreciation to Eileen Roberts (25 years), Vicki Howard (15 years) and Dale Rolls (10 years) in recognition of their service to the Our Lady of the Rosary community. Combined, that is a total of 50 years service and as a parish family, we recognize and thank them for their commitment and service.

NET REPORT

This last week has been a series of unknowns, so many small and big changes have had an impact on the way we can do our ministry, and our team has met this challenge head on. Whenever we meet a challenge, or a change that might seem too big for us to handle, there is always a choice of how we deal with it. This week has been a chance for us to learn how to really lean into God, relying on him instead of ourselves when things get tough. We are always going to come up against things that challenge us and the best thing to do is ask for help. It has been really evident this week how strong the saints can be, how much they can help us when we ask for it. Specifically this week, Saint Joseph has been an anchor for our team and an ally, even when we can't see it as much. In this year of Saint Joseph, we have a great opportunity to ask for his intercession when we find ourselves struggling. **God Bless, The Net Team**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter COVID-SAFE live-out weekend – relationship enrichment for married couples, priests and religious from the **Friday evening of 15 October to the afternoon of 17 October 2021 (including Mass)** at Trinity College, Beenleigh (south of Brisbane) – going home on the Friday and Saturday evenings. For bookings/details contact Maria and David Murphy, (07) 3342 456, dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au
Information website: www.wme.org.au



LADIES LUNCH

Ladies you are invited to lunch this Friday 20th August at 12noon.

You will be dining at Malt Shovel Taphouse, 8 The Avenue, Birtinya.

We need to know numbers. Please contact Deborah 0410531901 by Monday 16th August if you would like to attend. Remember it will be QR check in and masks.



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COMMUNION

At the OLR vigil Mass this weekend we join with Brandon Wilesmith and his family as he celebrates his First Holy Communion.

We pray that we might be a supportive community along Brandon's journey of faith.

Friends, once a year, the Archdiocese asks us to generously donate to the Annual Catholic Campaign. The campaign recipients – the Retired Priests Fund, Centacare, Mary MacKillop School Access Fund, and Holy Spirit Seminary – are indeed worthy beneficiaries of our generosity. This year, as well as accepting cash donations in envelopes which will be available in our churches next weekend, you can simply scan the QR code below using your phone's camera and go straight to the secure online donation portal. Thank you, in advance for your generosity.



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Our faith calls us to help one another through prayer and action. Your gift today will be a blessing to struggling local families; to seminarians and retired priests; and children in our community in dire need of the love and care of a Catholic community.



2021 ANNUAL

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

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We pray for **Dawn Wilson** who died last week. A Mass will be offered for her on Friday 3rd September. May her soul and all our deceased priests, religious and parishioners

Rest in Peace.

Entry into the church is via the QR CODE only.

You need to bring your mobile phone with you to QR check in with the QLD government App.

Don't forget MASKS are still mandatory.

Parish Diary

Monday 16 Aug

Mass (OLR) 9am

Tuesday 17 Aug

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Wednesday 18 Aug

School Liturgy (OLR School) 9am

Mass (Lt Mt) 9.30am

Thursday 19 Aug

St John Eudes

Mass (Unity) 8.30am

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

Friday 20 Aug

St Bernard

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Landsborough) 9am

Saturday 21 Aug

St Pius X, pope

Confession (OLR) 8.30am

Mass (OLR) 9am

Vigil Mass

Mass (OLR) 5pm

Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

Sunday 22 August

21st Sunday in Ordinary time

Mass (OLR) 6.30am

Mass (Landsborough) 7am

Mass (Unity) 8am

Mass (Kawana) 8am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am

Mass (OLR) 9.30am

Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am

Family Mass (Unity) 5pm

Longstanding Parishioners from our Landsborough community are seeking alternate rental accommodation. Either an unfurnished 2 bedroom house or unit in the

Landsborough area.

Please phone Paul on 0432 949 835.



A BIG thankyou to all our fellow parishioners who prepared our churches for the feast of the Assumption. Our flowers are especially appreciated.



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday 15 Aug: *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

◆ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass.

◆ Illuminate Youth Group via Zoom for grades 9-12 - 6-8pm.

Monday 16 Aug:

◆ Adoration after the OLR Mass each Monday - All welcome.

◆ The OLR craft group meet every Monday 9am-12noon in the pastoral Centre. For more information please contact Helen McGlynn on 0409 050 722

◆ Alpha meet in the Parish centre 10:30-12:30pm.

◆ Charismatic Prayer Group gathers to praise God and to give thanks for all God's blessings, every 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month 7-8.30pm in the AED room. Contact Dorothy for details - 0403175714.

Tuesday 17 Aug:

◆ Women's Prayer and Friendship Group every Tuesday in the Parish Centre. from 9.30-10.45am, all welcome. Enquiries contact Vivienne 0409 897 673.

◆ The Tuesday Club hosts cards in the Parish Centre weekly beginning at 8:30am, all welcome.

◆ Maleny Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.30am, Mass 9.00am, Rosary 9.30am after Mass.

◆ OLR St Vincent de Paul meet every Tuesday at 3pm in the Parish Centre. We make daily visits to those in need. New members welcome. Phone Dawn 5430 9390 for further enquiries.

◆ Alpha meet in the Parish centre 6-8pm.

Wednesday 18 Aug:

◆ Caloundra Catholic Community Social Justice Network (CCCSJN) in the Pastoral Care Boardroom 10.00am-11.30am. **Special topics are follow-up to Dr Hope O'Chin's presentation and preparation for Social Justice Sunday.** Visitors and enquiries welcome but it is essential to contact Bob before the meeting to receive papers. bngcullen@optusnet.com.au

Thursday 19 Aug:

◆ Members of Caloundra's Our Lady of Good Counsel Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society meet at the Parish Centre at 9:30am. New members welcome. Further enquiries contact Peter 54924402.

Friday 20 Aug:

◆ Landsborough Mass at 9am followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession available while adoration is on. Prayers for Priests in the Ron Hickey Centre with morning tea following Mass.

◆ Lighthouse Youth Group for grades 6-8 in the Parish Centre - 5:15-7:15pm.

Saturday 21 Aug:

◆ Individual Reconciliation 8.30am in the OLR Church.

Sunday 22 Aug: *21st Sunday in Ordinary time*

◆ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass.

◆ Illuminate Youth Group at Unity for grades 9-12 - 6-8pm.

A VOCATION VIEW: A woman clothed with the sun, the moon under her feet and on her head a crown of twelve stars. Hers is the most beautiful story of vocation, when Mary said, "Let it be done unto me according to thy will". Can you make the choice?

FAN THE FLAME PLENARY COUNCIL REFLECTION

Fan the Flame

Towards Plenary Council First Assembly One: October 2021

'His mercy reaches from age to age'

Luke 1:39-56

God is asking us to refrain from putting barriers and obstacles in the way of God's mercy reaching the least, the lost and those who feel excluded, especially those who do not yet know the love of God. God is asking us to be a Church that walks together and does not leave anyone behind.

(Humble, Healing and Merciful – Discernment Paper p. 6)



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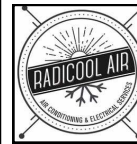
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