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**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
YEAR C WEEKEND OF 19/20 NOVEMBER 2022**

Proper of the Mass

First Reading: 2 Sam 5:1-3 Second Reading: Col 1:12-20 Gospel: Lk 23:35-43

I believe that a lot of paintings of the Garden of Eden do us disservice in that they don't actually depict a *garden*. As I write this reflection, a cursory glance through google images reveals Adams and Eves standing in glades or forests or even tropical jungles. Somehow, they don't seem suffocated by the trees and plants around each of them.

Yet, if we sit with the idea of *garden*, then a more accurate image emerges as to what is going on as the biblical narrative gets underway: God has drawn forth creation out of chaos and within creation, God draws more order by planting a grand garden. God creates Adam (Adam meaning "humanity" in Hebrew) to be steward of this garden. He is tasked with bringing order to it, by tending it and naming its inhabitants.

We know the rest of the story – humanity quickly rebels; stewardship is not enough! Both stewards are expelled from the garden and thrown into a world of chaos, a chaos that we continue to witness: Chaos in nature when disasters strike, chaos in the human heart and so on. But God does not forsake his people and so the bible gathers up the stories of the ways in which God tries to draw people back into order and peace.

This mission of God reaches its summit upon the *summit* of Golgotha. The thief says "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom". And Jesus says "indeed I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise". Paradise comes from the Greek word *paradeisos*, that is, a royal walled garden, typical in ancient Persia. And so humanity, gets invited back into the garden. Think of the saints above who "tend the garden" through their intercessions and miracles. We the baptised too, being part of the communion of saints, continue our work as stewards from below. Do you own your identity as a steward? As a custodian of creation? As a custodian of humanity? Is your action and your prayer marked by the deliberateness of a steward with divine mandate?

Since landing here in August, I have watched the space between the presbytery and the church turn from chaos into order. I remember watching the concrete get laid, the pillars set in place, and now the roof installed. This orderliness has created something of the oasis which a garden or *paradeisos* promise. If mere concrete and steel can produce this, how much more could the stewarding heart? If mere church building can, how much more our church community? Our buildings are symbolic of the church which worships within them and so the visitors, tourists, parents, children, who encounter us should feel tended to - stewarded - and given an oasis amidst chaotic moments in life.

The *Summit* Day was a milestone along our parish's journey towards becoming intentional as Christian stewards of our world. It is a journey to go beyond merely turning up at mass, to turning out where Himself Christ wishes to go. That may be to our kids, to a sibling, to a stranger. Mass remains the summit of our faith; it is also the source from which our faith springs and we act. Which ministry area is God drawing you towards, in order to be a co-steward on the Sunny Coast?

God bless, Fr. Francis

In our Golden Jubilee Year 1972-2022

A BIG THANK YOU

We would like to thank all the people and sponsors who supported the Golden Jubilee Gala Night Fundraising Event at RSL Caloundra Event Centre. We were able to raise \$19,550.88—which will go towards our Mission of Evangelisation and the new Aura Mission. The Gala Night offered a great opportunity to gather all the Parish communities and friends. This was also a momentous occasion which gave the guests a fun-filled night with good food and raffle prizes. The highlight of the night was the excellent results from the auction items.

Thank you again for your generous support. (See over the page for some photos)

Taizé Prayer

In the monastery at Taizé, short mantra-like songs create a relaxing style of prayer. As the words are repeated, their reality gradually penetrates our whole being. Singing becomes a way of **listening** to God. The simplicity and repetition allow us to wait attentively on God. This is a prayer of watching, awakening and listening. It is very much in the spirit of the Advent Scriptures. Come and relax in this beautiful prayer at OLR on **Tuesday 6th Dec at 7pm**.

<https://www.taize.fr/en>

BUNNINGS BBQ Saturday 26 November



Our Lady of Good Counsel Conference of St Vincent de Paul, Caloundra will be running the Bunnings BBQ next Saturday. Please come along and lend your support to this very worthy cause.

Bible Study 2023

We are planning to study the book of Acts in the New Year. We have 2 groups at present, which meet either on Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning. If anyone would like to join us, you would be most welcome. We are not into academic theology, more a practical application approach. Please RSVP to Caroline as books will need to be ordered. They will cost around \$10 each. Please call Caroline Kettle on 0435 828 092 if you are interested or have any questions.

Vinnies Christmas Appeal

That time of year again to support families less fortunate than ourselves.



More information will come out next week to let you know how you can help.



Ministry to the sick

The parish is in need of volunteers to take communion to the sick and elderly. If you are able to give of your time and presence, please contact the office: 54309390. We will provide you with the necessary training and knowledge to perform your ministry with excellence. Thank you for your generosity towards those who cannot join us in our gatherings and in worship. caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish Finance Committee meeting

Just a reminder that the next Parish Finance Committee Meeting is Tuesday 22 November 3.30pm in the Staff room.

35 more days till Christmas

With Christmas fast approaching, it is time to fill our Mass ministry rosters. All the communities will be having a Christmas Mass which will require volunteers to assist with this most important time of year. Rosters for the 5 OLR community Masses will be out over the next few weeks. If you are available on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day and would like to be involved with one of the Masses please fill in your name on the roster or talk to one of your community leaders. Thank you so much!

A facilitated morning with time for input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing

The Catholic experience can be limited to liturgy, sacraments and responding to Church teaching. As valuable as these elements of our faith are, **A Morning's Prayer** is about locating something that sits underneath all that: the profound engagement with God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – who loves us and desires to walk with us in our lives as they are. This morning will be facilitated with a time of input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing, and aims to provide a prayerful respite from the busyness of life.

Saturday, 26 November 2022 Time: 9:00am-12:00pm at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre
267 Wellington Street Ormiston Qld 4160 Cost \$20 more information email: formation@bne.catholic.net.au

In Transition

As a Parish we welcome **Winslow Cronin & Rosalie Edwards** who will be baptised at OLR Church this weekend.

We would like to Congratulate 10 of our teenagers who will be Initiated into our Community at Unity this Sunday afternoon - **Lincoln Nicholson, Levi Hoppe, Mackenzie O'Brien, Emmeline Ford, Emma Nulty, Aidan Kirby, Charles Thorne, Amilia Green, Holly Rees & Sienna Macfarlane**

We pray for **Eileen Randall** whose funeral was held at OLR last Thursday & **Marino Biondi** whose funeral will be on the 9th December 10am at G&W. May their souls and all the souls of our deceased priests, religious and parishioners **Rest in Peace.**

Don't forget to collect your annuals from the Parish office, they are in!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday 20 Nov: *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

- ♦ Children's liturgy.
- ♦ Teen Initiation at Unity College followed by supper. All welcome.

Monday 21 Nov:

- ♦ The OLR craft group meet every Monday 9am-12noon in the Parish Centre. For more information please contact Helen McGlynn on 0409 050 722.
- ♦ 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 Parish Centre. Contact Dorothy for details - 0403175714

Tuesday 22 Nov:

- ♦ The Caloundra Cards Group meets at the Pastoral Centre from 9-12noon. Call Helen for more information on 0410392526.
- ♦ Rosary & Prayers each week 9.30-10.30am in OLR church.
- ♦ Maleny Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.30am followed by Mass at 9.00am.
- ♦ Women's Prayer and Friendship Group meet every Tuesday in the Parish Centre from 9.30-11am, all welcome. Enquiries contact Vivienne 0409897673.
- ♦ 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.
- ♦ Parish Finance committee meeting 3.30pm in Parish Staff meeting room.

Wednesday 23 Nov:

- ♦ Art class with Jude 0421777508 each week in the Parish Centre 10-12noon.
- ♦ OLR & Kawana Men's Sharing Groups, will meet together 10am-11:30am in the OLR Parish Centre meeting rooms. Please call John 0416154144 for details.
- ♦ Maleny cards in the Pat Daley Centre at 6.00pm. New players welcomed.
- ♦ Kingdom Young Adults - 6.00-8.30pm in the Egan Room. Ph Kath Ball 0418187914.

Thursday 24 Nov:

- ♦ Rosary & Prayers each week 9.30-10.30am in OLR church following Mass.
- ♦ 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 please contact Helen on 0475 859 215

Friday 25 Nov:

- ♦ Landsborough Mass at 9am followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession available while adoration is on.

Saturday 26 Nov:

- ♦ Reconciliation at OLR church 8.30am.
- ♦ BUNNINGS BBQ - Our Lady of Good Counsel Conference of St Vincent de Paul, Caloundra will be running the Bunnings BBQ next Saturday. Please come along and lend your support to this very worthy cause.

Sunday 27 Nov: *First Sunday of Advent*

- ♦ Children's liturgy.
- ♦ Kawana Community meeting after 8am Mass in the Good Shepherd Centre.

A VOCATION VIEW Who will work for Jesus, the King of Peace, Hope and Honour, the King of Love, Truth and Justice? Who is dedicated and enthusiastic enough to proclaim his Good News? It must be YOU!

We acknowledge the First Peoples of the land on which we celebrate our Eucharist and live out our faith.

Parish Diary

Monday 21 Nov

The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass (OLR) 9am

Tuesday 22 Nov

St Cecilia

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Wednesday 23 Nov

Mass (UNITY) 7.50am
(OLR School liturgy) 9am

Thursday 24 Nov

Sts Andrew & Dong-Lac, Mass of the Saints

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

Friday 25 Nov

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Landsborough) 9am

Saturday 26 Nov

Mass (OLR) 9am

Vigil Mass

Mass (OLR) 5pm

Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

Sunday 27 Nov

First Sunday of Advent

Mass (OLR) 6.30am

Liturgy of Word

(Landsborough) 7am

Mass (Unity) 8am

Mass (Kawana) 8am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am

Mass (OLR) 9:30am

Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am

Mass (Unity) 5pm

Reconciliation

Saturday Morning at
OLR Church 8.30am

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the Caloundra Catholic Parish
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