

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

12TH OCTOBER 2014

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ST. JOSEPH'S DEBUTANTE BALL 2014

will be held **this Friday night 17th October** in the **Civic Centre**.

Twenty-three debutantes will be presented to
Fr. Lino Valente at 8.30PM.

Our Parish congratulates the Debutantes for 2014

Madeline Torrisi (Partner: Harrison Sims), *Daniella Gatuteo* (Shay Semenzin),
Abigail Leicht (Lachlan Williamson), *Alaina Savio* (William Miles),
Kayla Mattiazzzi (Jordan Willocks), *Gemma Osbaldeston* (Zac Willoughby),
Kaylah Duff (Anthony Leahy), *Sarah Bonner* (Daniel Cridland),
Louise Butler (Lachlan Knight), *Grace Manahan* (Luke Thompson),
Emily Lanza (William Merrit), *Shenae Marsden* (Jeremy Burnell),
Kaitlin Mascadri (Aden Tomasel), *Zoe Boccari* (Loachlan Lange),
Natalie Smith-Harris (PJ Bonner), *Cherlee Carey* (Timothy Mahoney),
Chelsea Cooper (Bill Hindmarsh), *Madison Fardell* (Brad Knight),
Sophie Britton (Ryan Mouws), *Nikella Carter* (Cody McLellan),
Kaylah Brackin (Joel Thornton), *Johanna Cole* (Lachlan Fleming),
Annalise Pugno (Isaac Hartley-Simpson)

MATRON OF HONOUR: *Dorothy Pappagallo*

FLOWER GIRLS: *Alessia Gasparin & Imogen Rossow*

MAIDS OF HONOUR: *Sophie Sims & Sahra Costanzo*

We hope it will be a very enjoyable and memorable night for them, their partners,
their families and their friends.

Tickets for the Ball can be purchased from Maddies Gift Gallery
Adults \$45. 6-12 Years of age \$10. Under 6 years No Charge.

Music will be provided by "Reloaded".

Thank you to the Committee for their generosity and efforts in preparing for this
important social function in the life of the Parish and community,
and for those who have trained and prepared the Debutantes and their partners.

Thank you to all who are generously assisting in so many ways,
prior to, during and after the Ball.

Thank you to all patrons of the 2014 St. Joseph's Debutante Ball.

**HELPERS ARE REQUIRED TO SET UP THE CIVIC CENTRE FOR THE
BALL at 8.30AM on Thursday morning.**

MESSAGE FROM FR. BRIAN

A two week stay in Hospital always has its unexpected and welcome light-hearted moments. It is 6.30am on Friday 10th October and I have just been visited by the Rehabilitation Doctor who told me yesterday I was doing well and that they now have a little plan - aiming for my release next Tuesday. This morning she has informed me I am still doing well and am in the "polishing up" phase of my stay here in the Brisbane Private Hospital. I was very amused when informed I am in the process of being "polished up".

So my little plan is to return to Stanthorpe mid-November all bright and shining and walking with a confident, limp and pain free right leg.

I wish to thank those who prayed for me for a successful outcome following my hip replacement operation. Thank you to Fr. Lino and Fr. Don for their ministry during my absence. I am, as I know you are, most grateful for their care of the Parish and the parishioners at this time.

Fr. Brian

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY

The Rosary is a very popular prayer recited by Catholics, either individually or in groups. It started in the Middle Ages and, since then, has undergone a considerable evolution.

Like all other forms of prayer, the recitation of the Rosary is a way of opening our hearts to God in adoration, praise, thanksgiving, offering and petition.

In fact, the meditation on the mysteries of our salvation centres predominantly on *different moments in the life of Christ*. Even when Mary seems to be the leading character, Jesus is always included as an essential character.



But the Rosary is also a *prayer/devotion in honour of Mary*.

In fact, it is meant to *honour her* in a special manner and to *ask her intercession*. As the glorified Mother of the Redeemer Redeemer, she is in the best position to obtain for us all the graces that we need.

The Rosary is also a very effective *instrument of community building*. It gathers together, for a shared prayer, the members of the family, groups of families and neighbours, parishes and even the whole nation or many nations.

Like a loving mother, Mary sees to it that those who grow together to praise the Lord in union with her and to honour her, will grow in mutual love, solidarity, forgiveness, and cooperation. This is one of the most tangible fruits which the recitation of the Rosary has produced in all continents. This wonder can be experienced in our country, our communities, our families, our personal life even today!

MENTAL HEALTH WEEK : 5TH – 12TH OCTOBER



Mental Health Week raises community awareness about mental health issues and is held every October each year to coincide with World Mental Health Day that was held on Friday 10th October.

The aim of Mental Health Week is to promote social and emotional wellbeing to the community, encouraging people to maximise their health potential, enhancing the coping capacity of communities, families, individuals and increasing mental health recovery.

The **Mental Health Week** theme for this year is ***Celebrate, Connect, Grow.***

- ❖ **Celebrate:** the positive events in your life, as well as the strengths and values that have helped you through more challenging times
- ❖ **Connect:** with others by paying attention to your close relationships, or by reaching out and making new friends
- ❖ **Grow:** by expanding your horizons and trying something new that creates meaning and purpose for you.

One in five people will experience mental illness this year. Mental illness is more common than thought and it touches people of all ages and from all walks of life. However it's a subject that is too often hidden or stigmatised due to shame or embarrassment.

As a result, many thousands of people are left feeling isolated and alone.

We pray for all those who suffer from any form of mental illness. We also pray that the Carers, Medical Profession, associated Groups, Families, Friends and the wider Community continue to show kindness, gentleness, patience and support and we ask God's blessing on them. We pray that mental illness will be accepted as an illness, just as physical illness is readily accepted.

May our parishioners suffering from various types of mental illness or impairments always feel accepted and part of our parish family.

WE WELCOME BACK TO THE PARISH *Fr. Don Murray.*

Fr. Don will celebrate the Masses **this weekend and next weekend 18/19 October** and will be assisting during the coming week.

DECEASED: Carmelina Savina, Maria Torrisi

TO REMEMBER: Giuseppina & Carlo Zeppa, Maria & Salvatore Raciti, Fr. Michael Mahon

FOR THE SICK: Ken McQualter (Brother of Shirlee Russell), Fr. Brian Connolly, Judy Perrett, Cathy Sullivan, Linda Vinciguerra, Stella Bayley, Debra Micallef, Ev Hayes, Rosemary Paget, Marie Keen, Bridey Kelly, Enid McCarthy

NOVEMBER MASSES: Special Envelopes are available in the foyer for those who wish to have Mass offered for deceased loved ones. Please write the names of those to be remembered on the envelope and return to the Parish Office or place on the collection plate on Sunday. The names of all for whom Masses will be offered are placed in a basket in front of the altar during November.

BOOK OF DECEASED: The special Book of the Deceased is another way in which we remember our deceased loved ones during the month of November, when we pray for the Holy Souls. **If you wish to add to the names which have been placed in the Book in previous years**, please add names to the sheet on the table in the foyer and they will be included in the Book.

THIS WEEK:

MASSSES: MON: 7AM; TUES: 7AM; WED: 11.45AM; THURS: 9.15AM; FRI: 5.30PM;
SAT: 7AM; **VIGIL:** 6.30PM; **SUN:** 8.30AM

If there happens to be a Funeral Mass, that will be the only weekday Mass on the day.

FEAST DAYS: **TUES:** ST. CALLISTUS I, Pope & Martyr; **WED:** ST. TERESA OF JESUS, Virgin & Doctor; **THURS:** ST. HEDWIG, Religious, ST. MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE, Virgin; **FRI:** ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, Bishop & Martyr; **SAT:** ST. LUKE, Evangelist

NEXT WEEKEND:

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual World Mission Appeal.



The theme of this year's Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal, '*When I grow up I want to be alive*', is inspired by Ephesians 2:4-6, '*God who is rich in mercy... made us alive*'.

This year we are invited to reach out and support the crucial work of the Jamaican Catholic Church in helping people turn away from violence and crime to seek a new future through the power of education and the spirit of Jesus Christ.

Please generously support next week's appeal.

Next weekend in place of the Homily, there will be a DVD on the work of the **Jamaican Catholic Church and dedicated missionary, Sister Teresa Tinanisolo**, in helping people turn away from violence and crime to seek a new future through the power of education and the spirit of Jesus Christ.

Please note that this DVD includes footage of guns and police, with references to crime, violence and shootings.

GRANITE BELT JUNIOR CHOIR PRESENTS **SONGS AT TWILIGHT**

St. Joseph's Church - next Sunday 19th October – 6PM - Entry by Donation
From Palestrina to Simon and Garfunkel to Tchaikowsky, come and enjoy music from all eras, presented by Stanthorpe's talented children's choir.

COMING UP:

PILGRIMAGE TO THE CEMETERY: On **Sunday 2nd November** the annual pilgrimage of prayer will be held at the Cemetery beginning at **4PM**. At the conclusion of the procession all are invited back to St. Joseph's Church for Mass at **5PM**. This is an annual event for the Holy Souls month of November.

THE YEARLY MASS OF REMEMBRANCE and THANKSGIVING for those who have died in our Parish and elsewhere during the last year and their families will be held on **Monday night 3rd November at 7PM** in **St. Joseph's Church**. *Parishioners are invited and encouraged to come to this special Mass to pray for our deceased family members and support those who have lost loved ones this last year.*