



Cannon Hill Catholic Parish

Incorporating

St Oliver Plunkett Church & Holy Family Church

Cannon Hill

Tingalpa



Under the Pastoral Care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

The community of the Cannon Hill Catholic Parish acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5th November 2023

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Who doesn't desire the praise and respect of others? We want others to see us at our best with all of our strengths and achievements - rather than at our worst with all of our faults and shortcomings. God sees us as we truly are.

We read from this Sunday's Gospel that Jesus warned the scribes and Pharisees, the teachers and rulers of Israel, to teach and serve their people with humility and sincerity rather than with pride and self-seeking privileges and honour. They went to great lengths to draw attention to their religious status and practices. In a way, they wanted to be good models of observant Jews. **"See how well we observe all the ritual rules and regulations of our religion!"** In their misguided zeal for religion, they sought recognition and honour for themselves rather than for God. They made the practice of their faith a burden rather than a joy for the people they were supposed to serve. True respect for God inclines us to humble ourselves and to submit to his wisdom and guidance. We cannot be taught by God unless we first learn to listen to his word and then obey his instruction.

Was Jesus against calling anyone a rabbi, the Jewish title for a teacher of God's word, or a father? (Mt 23:7-8). The Law of Moses in Scripture specifically instructed all fathers to be teachers and instructors for their children to help them understand and obey God's instructions. **Why did Jesus rebuke the scribes and Pharisees, the religious authorities of the Jewish people, in the presence of his disciples?** Jesus wanted to warn both his own disciples and the religious leaders about the temptation to seek honours and titles that draw attention to ourselves in place of God and his word.

Pride tempts us to put ourselves first above others. The Scriptures give ample warning about the danger of self-seeking pride: Pride goes before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall. God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble. Respect for God and for his ways inclines us to humility and to simplicity of heart - the willing readiness to seek the one true good who is God himself.

What is the nature of true humility and why should we embrace it as essential for our lives? We can easily mistake humility as something demeaning or harmful to our sense of well-being and feeling good about ourselves. True humility is not feeling bad about yourself, or having a low opinion of yourself, or thinking of yourself as inferior to all others. True humility frees us from preoccupation with ourselves, whereas a low self-opinion tends to focus our attention on ourselves. Humility is truth in self-understanding and truth in action. Viewing ourselves honestly, with sober judgment, means seeing ourselves the way God sees us (Ps 139:1-4).

A humble person makes a realistic assessment of oneself without illusion or pretence to be something one is not. A truly humble person regards oneself neither smaller nor larger than one truly is. True humility frees us to be ourselves as God regards us and to avoid falling into despair and pride. A humble person does not want to wear a mask or put on a facade in order to look good to others. Such a person is not swayed by accidentals, such as fame, reputation, success, or failure.

Humility is the queen or foundation of all the other virtues because it enables us to see and judge correctly, the way God sees. Humility helps us to be teachable so we can acquire true knowledge, wisdom, and an honest view of reality. It directs our energy, zeal, and will to give ourselves to something greater than ourselves. Humility frees us to love and serve others willingly and selflessly, for their own sake, rather than for our own. Paul the Apostle gives us the greatest example and model of humility in the person of Jesus Christ, **who emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, and... who humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross** (Philippians 2:7-8).

"Lord Jesus, you became a servant for my sake to set me free from the tyranny of selfish pride and self-concern. Teach me to be humble as you are humble and to love others generously with selfless service and kindness."

Have a Blessed Sunday and I wish you all a wonderful Week. Fr Basti OMI

Psalm: In you, Lord, I have found my peace.
Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
You have one Father, your Father in heaven;
you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ!
Alleluia!

Readings for next week:
1st Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16
Psalm: 62:2-8
2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or
1 Thessalonians 4:13-14
Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

COMING MASSES, MEETINGS & EVENTS

Regular Mass & Service Times:

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday - 9am at St Oliver Plunkett
Thursday - 9am at The Holy Family Church

Weekend Mass:

Saturday - 6pm at St Oliver Plunkett
Sunday - 8am at The Holy Family Church
Sunday - 9.30am at St Oliver Plunkett

Reconciliation: Saturday 5-5.30pm St Oliver Plunkett

Eucharistic Adoration—1st Friday of the month
following 9.00am Mass, St Oliver Plunkett.

Baptisms—2nd & 4th Sundays of the Month held during
9.30am Mass, St Oliver Plunkett.

Children's Liturgy of the Word—1st Sunday of the month
during the 9.30am Mass, St Oliver Plunkett.

Welcome Mass for Families receiving Baptism—
1st Sunday of the month at 9.30am, St Oliver Plunkett,
followed by Morning Tea in the Parish Hall.

Saturday 11th November—Remembrance Day

Saturday & Sunday 25/26th November Note Mass time changes
Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Saturday 25th November No Vigil Mass at St Oliver Plunkett
Church INSTEAD Vigil Mass at the Holy Family Church at 6pm.

Sunday 26th November Annual Thanksgiving Mass & BBQ,
9am Mass instead of 9.30am, St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd December—1st Sunday of Advent

Friday December 8th—Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin
Mary (Solemnity), Mass 9am, St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Tuesday 12th Dec Anointing & Healing Mass, 9am, S.O.P. Church



Especially during November we pray for deceased family, friends and all the departed.
The **Book of Remembrance** is placed on the sanctuary and you are invited to write the names of those you wish to remember.

REGULAR MEETINGS

Mon: Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conference—
Fortnightly @ 6.15pm Contact Paul 0418 750 367

Tue: Parish Leadership Team—Fortnightly at 6.30pm
Next Meeting: 6.30pm, 7th November 2023

Wed: Parish Liturgy Meeting—Monthly at 4.30pm
Next Meeting: 4.30pm, 31st January 2024

Thu: Parish Finance Council Meeting—Bimonthly at 4.30pm
Next Meeting: 4.30pm, 23rd November 2023



“This is the Church we are called to dream: a Church that is the servant of all, the servant of the least. A Church that welcomes, serves, loves. A Church with open doors that is a haven of mercy “

-Pope Francis @Pontifex, Oct 29, 2023, Synod

GOSPEL

They do not practise what they preach

Matthew 23:1-12

Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, ‘The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men’s shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi.

‘You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.’

SYNOD IN ROME ON THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH

“The first phase of the Synod on the future of the Church came to a close last Sunday.



The Vatican released the Synod on Synodality’s “synthesis report” on Saturday night(28/10) outlining key proposals discussed during the nearly monthlong assembly’s confidential conversations.

The highly anticipated text was approved paragraph by paragraph on Oct. 28 by a vote of 344 synod delegates, which for the first time

included women and other non-bishops as voting members. The document, the synthesis of the assembly’s work from Oct. 4–29, proposes a “synodal Church” that implements synodality throughout Church governance, theology, mission, and discernment of doctrine and pastoral issues. Sourced from [Catholic News Agency](#) (CNA)

Looking ahead to the second session in 2024, the text offers reflections and proposals on topics such as the role of women and the laity, the ministry of bishops, priesthood and the diaconate, the importance of the poor and migrants, digital mission, ecumenism, and abuse. Sourced from [Vatican News](#)

The **Synthesis Report** can be accessed via <https://www.synod.va/content/dam/synod/assembly/synthesis/english/2023.10.28-ENG-Synthesis-Report.pdf>

“Your light must shine before all so that they may see goodness in your acts.” (Matthew 5:16) We should view our giving in gratitude to God by considering how blessed we are...using our gifts and talents for the good of others. A gift in any amount given through your Will benefits future generations of the faithful. For more information on naming Cannon Hill Parish or our perpetual endowment fund in your Will, please call the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.



HOLY CROSS FUNERALS
The only funeral service owned and operated by the Catholic Church
Ph: (07) 3293 0555 Web: www.holycrossfunerals.com



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



OUR SICK *Contact Parish Office for names to be included in this list. Names will be taken off after a short time unless otherwise instructed.*

Marion White, Carmel Pender, Michael Simpson, Mary Stevenson, John la Spina, Lani Clow, Darryl McNally, Rob Connolly, Beryl McNally, Von Leeman, Brian McGrath, Gabriel Adams, Darren Wilson, Lorretta Stephenson, Imelda Khoo, Brian Crimmins, Danni Manix, Veronica Roberts, Angela White, Robbin Firth, Sigrid Russell, Jo Lohrisch.

Please contact the Parish Office 3899 2837 if you or someone you know is sick and would appreciate a visit by Fr Basti.

Please leave a message if the office is unattended or for an urgent response call Fr Basti 0493 096 073.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Heather Cramer, Patricia Macaulay.

ANNIVERSARIES

Bridie Connolly.

Mass Intentions - Week beginning 7th November 2023

Tuesday 9am - Mass Intention request for deceased during November.
Wednesday 9am - Mass Intention for all the departed.
Thursday 9am - Mass Intention request for deceased during November.
Friday **NO Mass due to De Mazenod Family Gathering**

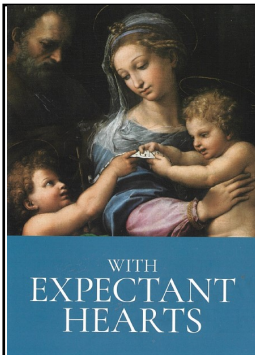
Weekend Masses offered for the intentions of all in the Parish

**** Mass intentions to be advised the week prior to request****

FR BASTI AWAY at a De Mazenod Family Gathering in Melbourne from Thursday 9th November returning Monday 13th November. **There will be NO weekday morning Mass this coming Friday 10th November.** We welcome Fr Anson from St James' Coorparoo, to celebrate the 6pm Mass on Saturday evening and the 8am Mass on Sunday morning and Fr Max Polak to celebrate, 9.30am Sunday morning Mass.

PARISH PLANNING DAY Fr Basti and Parish Leadership Team will meet on **Saturday 18th November** in the Parish Hall to discuss Parish plans and initiatives. If you have any ideas/suggestions that you wish to share, please let the Parish Leadership know prior to meeting.

WEDNESDAY WEEKDAY MASSES DURING NOVEMBER will be offered for the Commemoration of ALL the Departed. **YELLOW ENVELOPES** will be available at the main doors should you wish to offer a Mass Intention during this time.



ADVENT PROGRAM\REFLECTION
You are warmly invited to join the Parish Advent Reflection at St Oliver Plunkett Church each Wednesday in December leading up to Christmas & commencing **6th December, 6.30pm** **NEXT WEEKEND a sign-on sheet will be provided at the main doors for you to register your interest.**

This year, our Parish Advent

Program will focus on reflections and prayers from an Advent resource, **WITH EXPECTANT HEARTS** produced by Evangelisation Brisbane.

The Booklet will be available next weekend - cost \$5. We hope this reflection time allows you the space to forget about the busyness of our daily lives, and to stop and prepare our hearts for the coming of the Lord while trying to find the a deeper meaning of the season.

COLUMBAN ART CALENDARS 2023 now for sale at the main doors. Cost \$8 Each.

Hospitality

After 8.00am Mass at Tingalpa - 1st Sunday of the month

After 9.30am Mass Cannon Hill - 1st Sunday of the month

After 9.00am Mass Cannon Hill - Wednesdays

Every Wednesday Morning.



ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS AND BBQ

Sunday 26th November, 9am, St Oliver Plunkett Church

We hope that as many former and current Parishioners are able to attend the Thanksgiving Mass and BBQ on 26th November.

A wheelchair friendly bus will pickup Parishioners from the Belmont Road side of Holy Family Church around 8am to take them to St Oliver Plunkett Church in time for 9am Mass and return after the BBQ is finished.

Please contact Paul on 0412 852 111 or the Parish Office if you need to be collected from your home as we can also arrange pick-ups from Manly West to Morningside.

Kindly share this information with anyone you know that may be interested.



VOLUNTEER FOCUS—COUNTERS

Every week dedicated volunteers undertake the task of counting the money placed in the collection plates during Mass.

The Parish currently has two teams of counters so each team counts every second week.

One of our counters is unavailable from mid-November to mid-February so **we urgently need new volunteers** as there must be at least 2 people in each team, ideally 3 people. Volunteers first register with the Archdiocese of Brisbane, the Parish Office will assist you with this. If you are available once a fortnight we would love to hear from you. You will be partnered with an experienced counter who can explain everything to you. Please contact the Parish Office asap if you would like to consider being a counter.

KIMBERLEY CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER SERVICES

DIOCESE OF BROOME

Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service
NEEDED URGENTLY - VOLUNTEER WORKERS



The Diocese of Broome, WA, urgently requires volunteers to assist in working with the local Church, in various locations. There is a variety of important voluntary tasks in **administration, building and vehicle maintenance, gardening, hospitality, general cleaning etc.** Placements are preferred for a period of 6 month+. In return for being part of the team, we offer accommodation, living expenses and a small weekly allowance.

For further details and an application form, please contact:

The Diocese of Broome Office: 08 9192 1060.

Email: volunteers@broomedioocese.org

Web: www.broomedioocese.org

Mail: PO Box 76, BROOME WA 6725



Missionary Oblates Of Mary Immaculate

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SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE: Ronda Vorrasi (Ph: 0456 535 091)

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM: Sachin Rasquinha, Paul Vorrasi, Briony Russell, Aaron Tippetts, Norma Martiri, Ronda Vorrasi

CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Yuggera and Turrbal Country

St Oliver Plunkett Church & Parish Centre: 21 Beauvardia St, Cannon Hill Q 4170

Holy Family Church: 41 Belmont Rd, Tingalpa Q 4173 (enter via 56 Palgrave St, Tingalpa)

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 9.00am - 2.30pm

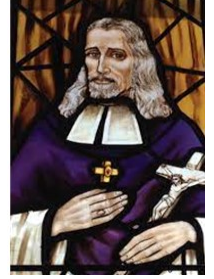
Phone: (07) 3899 2837 | Mobile: 0493 096 073 (after hours)

Web Page: <https://www.cannonhillparish.org.au/>


Facebook Page: Cannon Hill Catholic Parish | WhatsApp: 0493 096 073

MASS & RECONCILIATION TIMES as per the left hand on the inside page

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS: by appointment only at St Oliver Plunkett Church




WITH THANKS FROM CATHOLIC MISSION
 Our Parish donated \$1,106 to the annual appeal.
 Thank you for your generous support to the Salesian Sisters and the Church in Venilale, Timor-Leste. Your gift is helping Sr Carolina continue to provide life-saving treatment and access to resources on health and well-being.




We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.
 We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

www.matsicc.org.au


QUEENSLAND IRISH CHOIR - A Celtic Christmas Celebration
 The *Queensland Irish Choir* presents its Christmas Concert to be held at the Chermerside-Kedron Community Church, Gympie Rd, Kedron on Sunday, **26 November 2023 at 2 PM.**
 Come along and enjoy a wonderful afternoon of Celtic song & music. The Choir will present a number of well-known Christmas carols and hymns (but with stunning arrangements) and also many carols of Celtic origin with which you may not be familiar. It will be a wonderful way to prepare for the most beautiful time of the year which heralds the birth of Jesus Christ.
 Tickets at \$20 per adult and \$10 children (U15) can be obtained online <https://www.trybooking.com/CLTCA> or at the door.
 Enquiries **0493 455 487**

Iona College Catholic Boys College
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 Rector: Fr. Michael Twigg
 Phone: (07) 3893 8888
 Email: admin@iona.qld.edu.au Website: www.iona.qld.edu.au

THE NEW PARISH WEBSITE IS LIVE!
 With lots of new content, user-friendly design, most recent information on happenings in the Parish and an overall great resource for the Parish Community.
 Please click on link and browse cannonhillparish.org.au

St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Primary School
 Principal: Mr. Greg Cran
 APRE: Ms Hannah Goodwin
 Phone: (07) 3902 2100
 Out of School Hours Care: Phone: (07) 3899 0952



Humour...
 A judge told a defendant his ruling was, "Twenty days or two hundred dollars." The defendant responded, "I'll take the money, your Honour."
 "Never go to a doctor whose office plants have died." Erma Bombeck.

PRIVACY ACT The privacy of all individuals with whom the Cannon Hill Catholic Parish interacts is very important to us and we are committed to protecting all personal information. **As part of the Archdiocese of Brisbane WE MUST ABIDE BY AND ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRIVACY ACT, THE AUSTRALIAN PRIVACY PRINCIPLES 7.**
 Policy available at <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/privacy-policy/> or on request.