



CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Under the pastoral care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate



*The call of Jesus Christ, heard within the Church through people's need for salvation,
draws us together as Missionary Oblates of Mary.' (Oblate Constitution 1)*

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9TH AUGUST

Today's Gospel directly follows last week's account of Jesus feeding a crowd of more than 5,000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish. For the sake of the crowds, Jesus had postponed his time of solitude. Now, at last, Jesus finds some time for quiet and prayer. He sends his disciples ahead of him by boat, dismisses the crowds, and then withdraws to the mountain to pray.

The disciples do not fare well. They struggle to weather the wind and waves, making little progress in their journey. We are reminded of a previous story in Chapter 8 of Matthew's Gospel, when Jesus calms the seas. This time, however, Jesus does not calm the seas, and the disciples do not express fear until they see Jesus walking toward them on the water. In this story it is not the storm that is feared but the sight of Jesus before them, whom they mistake for a ghost.



Christ Walking on Water

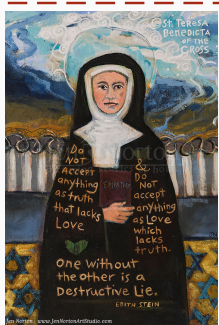
Painting by Julius Sergius von Klever (1850 - 1924)
Painted circa 1880, oil on canvas, current location unknown.

Clues like these suggest that this story is about the disciples' growing understanding of the identity of Jesus. In continuity with last week's Gospel about the feeding of the multitude, today's Gospel is also about what the disciples' faith in Jesus will enable them to do. In last week's Gospel, when the disciples see the crowds, they ask Jesus to send the crowds away. Jesus turns the situation around, telling the disciples to feed the crowd with the provisions that they have. Both of these Gospels tell us much about ministry.

Jesus calls to the disciples and calms their fears. He is not a ghost. The impulsive Peter seeks proof that the person is indeed Jesus. He asks Jesus to call him out onto the water, and Jesus grants this request. Peter's fear and doubt overtake him, however, once he is walking on the water. Jesus reaches out to Peter and saves him. When Jesus and Peter enter the boat, Matthew reports that the wind ceases, and the disciples confess that Jesus is the Son of God.

Faith in Jesus will enable the disciples to do the work that Jesus has done. Peter walks on water. The five loaves and two fish feed a multitude of people. The disciples can and will participate in the work of the kingdom of heaven. When Peter fears and doubts the person of Jesus, however, he falters. Peter's example teaches us that true Christian ministry emerges from the faith that Jesus is the Messiah, God's only Son.

Source: Loyola Press



SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein) - Patron Saint of Europe - 9th August

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, born Edith Stein, was a woman whose lifelong search for truth led her from her Jewish upbringing to a profound encounter with Christ and the Catholic faith. A brilliant philosopher and scholar, Edith was deeply moved by the writings of Saint Teresa of Ávila, whose example of prayer and complete trust in God inspired her to enter the Carmelite order. Taking the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, she devoted her life to prayer, study, and love of God. During the darkness of the Nazi persecution, Edith remained steadfast in faith and courage. Because of her Jewish heritage, she was arrested and sent to Auschwitz, where she was martyred in 1942. Canonized in 1998, Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross is remembered as a powerful witness to the unity of faith, the dignity of every person, and the hope found in the Cross of Christ. Learn more here: <https://tinyurl.com/yc34f4vd>

This Week's Readings

First Reading - 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 84

R: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Second Reading - Romans 9-15

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 14:22-33

Command me to come to you over the water.

This Week's Mass Intentions

- 09/08: Chaplaincies
- 10/08: Eagle Vale
- 11/08: Oblate Families
- 12/08: Sick & Elderly OMIs
- 13/08: Sorrento/Drom./Rosebud
- 14/08: Moe/Newborough
- 15/08: Survivors of Abuse



MASSES & MEETINGS

Cannon Hill - St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 9:00am
Saturday - 6:00pm; Sunday - 9:30am

Tingalpa - Holy Family Catholic Church:

Thursday - 9:00am; Sunday - 8:00am

Reconciliation: every Saturday, 5:00pm - 5:30pm at St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Eucharistic Adoration: 1st Friday of the month following 9:00am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Anointing and Healing: first Wednesday of every second month, 9:00am at St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month held after the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. (Welcoming Mass combined with the Baptism Mass.)

Little Lanterns Liturgy: 1st Sunday of the month (except January) during the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. All primary school-aged children are welcome to attend.

Hospitality - Parish Morning Tea: 1st Sunday of the month following Mass at both churches; every Wednesday after 9:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

THIS WEEKEND...

08 AUG - SAT: St Mary of the Cross Mackillop, (Solemnity), 9:00am Mass St Oliver Plunkett Church.

09 AUG - SUN: Baptisms, St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, National Vocations Awareness Week (2-9)

COMING UP...

10 AUG - MON: St Lawrence (Feast).

11 AUG - TUE: St Clare (Memorial).

14 AUG - FRI: St Maximilian Mary Kolbe (Memorial).

15 AUG - SAT: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (Solemnity), 9:00am Mass at SOPC.

16 AUG - SUN: First Holy Communion Prep, 8.00am in the Parish Hall; School Sponsored Mass, 9am at SOPC.

18 AUG - TUE: First Holy Communion Prep, 3.15pm in the Parish Hall.

23-24 AUG - SAT/SUN: Annual Catholic Campaign

29-30 AUG - SAT/SUN: Annual MAMI Appeal - Fr Fini.

REGULAR MEETINGS

MON: Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conference
Fortnightly at 6:15pm

Next meeting: **Monday, 3rd August**
Contact: Paul 0418 750 367

TUE: Parish Leadership Team

Fortnightly at 6:00pm
Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 4th August**

WED: Parish Liturgy Meeting

Monthly at 4:30pm
Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 15th September**

THU: Parish Finance Council Meeting

Bi-monthly at 4:30pm
Next Meeting: **Thursday, 22nd October**

Plate Collections

26th July 2026

First (Oblates): **\$430.00** | Second (Parish): **\$327.45**

Thank you for your ongoing support.

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

Command me to come to you over the water.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - 20TH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

First Reading - Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 66

R: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Second Reading - Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 15:21-28

Woman, you have great faith.



"Throughout the ages, the Church has navigated many storms and 'strong winds'. We too can identify with the feelings of fear and doubt experienced by the disciples while crossing the lake of Tiberias. Such moments come when people feel overwhelmed, alone, and weak. But it is not so. Jesus is with us always, stronger than any power of evil. In every storm, he comes to us and repeats: 'I am here with you: do not be afraid.'"

Pope Leo XIV, 18 April 2026

JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA

Every Wednesday

Cannon Hill - After 9:00 am mass

First Sunday of the Month

Tingalpa - After 8:00 am Mass

Cannon Hill - After 9.30am Mass

Everyone is welcome!!!



Be part of our community by joining our official parish database. All parishioners and visitors are invited to sign up or update your contact details to receive the latest news, events, and updates from Cannon Hill Parish. Stay informed, stay involved! Use the QR Code to register or go to:

<https://cannonhillparish.flocknote.com/register>

Cannon Hill Parish is **Child Safety Aware** and complies with Australian Privacy Laws. Our Safeguarding Representative is Ronda Vorrasi. A copy of the Safeguarding Policy is situated in the foyer of the church. **STOPLINE CONTACT:**

Phone: 1300 304 400 | Email: AOB@stopline.com.au

PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

OUR SICK

Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is sick and would appreciate a home visit.

We pray for those in the community who are sick.

May the healing spirit of Christ bring them comfort and hope.

Keenan Wiltshire, Baby Margaret Rose; Ed Pender, Mary-Jane McAuliffe, Anna Slawek, Gary Smith, Lameki Eketi, Eli Jorna, Marina Gilbert, Vincy Law Tan, Sam Swann, Athol Young, Ken Drego, Karen Marrinan, Carol-Ann Marrinan, Jeanette Hill, Lucia Giaccio, Rob Connolly, Ashley Anthony, Daniel Normyle, Carol Flannigan, Catherine, Elizabeth and Monika, Harry Lynas, Michael Simpson, John la Spina, Imelda Khoo, Lorretta Stephenson, Brian Crimmins, Angela White, Mary Stevenson, Veronica Roberts, Melisa Duffy.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Lani Clow, Ronald Schmidt

ANNIVERSARIES

Edward Gleeson (5 yrs)

In Loving Memory of

Lani Clow

Funeral to be held at **St Oliver Plunkett Church**
on **Friday, 21st August at 10.00am**

BAPTISMS

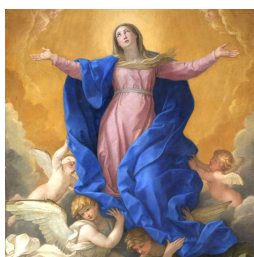
We are delighted to welcome **Margot White, Beau White and Edward and Hudson Green**, as their baptisms are celebrated in our parish this Sunday. *May God's peace, joy, and protection be with them and their families on this joyous occasion and throughout their lives.*

CHP Multicultural Day

Last Sunday, we celebrated our annual Multicultural Day, a wonderful showcase of the rich diversity of our community. The Mass featured vibrant cultural expressions, followed by a delicious feast and fellowship.

Thank you to Fr Joe for celebrating Mass, and to Fr Josh for his inspiring homily and for sharing his family story.

A heartfelt thank you to all who contributed to making this memorable celebration such a success. More photos will be available in our website gallery next week.



The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Saturday, 15th August 2026

Join us for a special Mass at 9:00am at SOPC as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption and give thanks for Mary's example of faith, trust, and obedience. This Mass invites the faithful to reflect on Mary's deep devotion to God, her loving response to His will, and the hope of eternal life promised to all believers.

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00am - 2.30pm

St Oliver Plunkett Church & Parish Centre

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Church of the Holy Family

41 Belmont Rd, Tingalpa Q 4173
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Sachin Rasquinha, Ronda Vorrasi, Guy Elliott, Michael Hill, Lawrence Swann



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To learn more go to www.omi.com.au

DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your ongoing generosity and faithful support. Your contributions play a vital role in sustaining our parish ministries and enriching the lives of those we serve.

Donations can be made via the EFTPOS terminal at the church entrance (split between 1st and 2nd collections), or through our secure online direct debit facility (please contact the Parish Office to arrange).

For information regarding Bequests, contact the **Catholic Foundation**

on **3324 3200** or the
Parish Office on 3853 7490.

Donate using the QR Code or
<https://tinyurl.com/parish-donate>

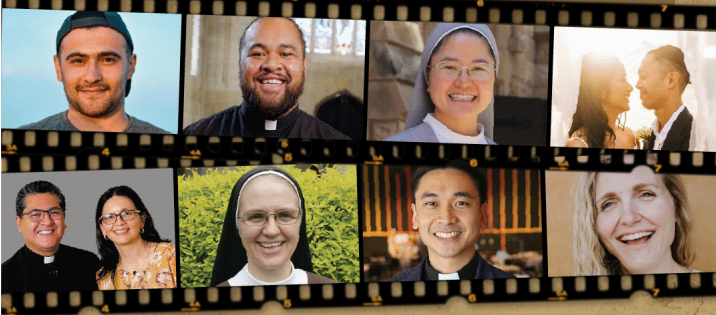


OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

Called by Name

National Vocation Awareness Week

2-9 August 2026



SCAN TO DISCERN YOUR CALL



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 **Simplicity September**

This September, simplify one thing in your life and discover what truly matters.

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SIMPLICITY SEPTEMBER



The Brisbane East Deanery will begin the **Gospel of Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled** study by Jeff Cavins **beginning Tues 1 SEPT.** There will be morning sessions on Wednesdays and Thursdays, and evening sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays. The course will run for **8 weeks**, finishing on Friday 30 October.

For more information or to register your interest, please contact **Louise Simento** at **0456 700 040**.

OBLATE YOUTH IONA PRESENTS

EVERY SECOND SUNDAY

FORTNIGHTLY YOUTH GROUP

Come and join young people of faith to explore the life of Jesus Christ through episodes of the newest TV series, *The Chosen*, and reflect on Jesus' message for our lives today.

Every Second Sunday during school term
17/5, 31/5, 14/6, 26/7, 9/8, 23/8, 6/9, 20/9
6pm-8pm
Ages 15-25 welcome.

ALERT! NEW LOCATION: LINDUM-MERE

MORE INFO & REGISTRATION AT
WWW.OBLATEYOUTH.COM.AU/IONA

 @oblateyouthiona

 Oblate Youth Iona



Supporting the Persecuted: Help Rebuild a Cathedral in the Philippines

In 2017, Christians in the city of Marawi in the southern Philippines faced brutal persecution from Islamist militants. More than 800 people were killed and thousands of families were displaced. During the five months of violence, the Cathedral of St Mary was bombed, desecrated and destroyed.

Nine years on, there is a growing desire for healing and reconciliation. The poor and faithful people of Marawi have asked for our help to rebuild their beloved cathedral so they can once again gather, pray, and be witnesses of Christ in this Muslim-majority region.

To learn more or provide support, please scan the QR code or visit:
<https://aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject>

Thanks to generous supporters, every contribution during August will be doubled.



OLDER PERSON ADVOCACY NETWORK

The Australian Government Department of Health's Older Person Advocacy Network provides free, independent and confidential support to older people receiving government-funded aged care. In Queensland, this service is delivered by Aged and Disability Advocacy Australia (ADA), the state's network member. See more at:

<https://opan.org.au/about-us/> and <https://adaaustralia.com.au/>

 **OPAN** Older Persons Advocacy Network

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