



CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT—YEAR B

18th FEBRUARY 2024

Dear Parishioners and Friends!

We are now in the great Season of **Lent**. During the season of Lent, the church invites us to examine our lives, to repent and do penance, by means of fasting, acts of devotion and prayers.

The purpose of Lent is above all to prepare the Children of God for the celebration of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The better the preparation for this day, the more effective the celebration will be.

The second purpose is to renew our Baptismal promises of rejecting Satan and accepting Jesus as our Lord and Saviour, allowing him to rule our lives.

Both these aims demand purification of minds and hearts. The Church tries to achieve this goal by leading her children to a true "repentance," and by renewal of life through self-control, and practice of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

The Church invites all to repent from evil ways and return to the Lord, who is eagerly waiting for us, as a Prodigal Father.

The first Sunday of **Lent** gives us the example of Jesus' temptation as a model to overcome our own temptations. People are very much tempted by power, food, prestige, name and so on. These are the very things that people are looking for nowadays. They are ready to lose anything and everything to attain these.

People who are starving are ready to do any kind of work to get a handful of bread or rice. When you are hungry, you do not worry about anything other than something to satisfy your hunger. The people who are longing for power and want to attain that power are ready for anything. At any cost, they want to get power. They do not worry about the means, all they want is power. It is the same with people who are looking for prestige. However, Jesus tells us not to work for mere food, power or prestige, but to work for kingdom of God.

Long for God's power and eternal life. Try to satisfy God, not people or material things.

This is the sacred time to evaluate our personal life and to get back to the root of our faith. Power, food, prestige or name can quench our thirst temporarily, but not permanently. They cannot satisfy us fully. Only God can do that, for He has the words of eternal life.

Let us conquer our temptations with the power of God as Jesus did, by using the methods of prayer, self-denial and timely use of the word of God. During this Lent, let us confront our evil tendencies by talking to God and by listening to Him.

We now turn to Him and say "Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned".

Fr. Vasanthan OMI

Psalm: Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth, to those who keep your covenant.
Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Readings for next week:
1st Reading: Gen 22: 1-2, 9-13, 15-18 *Abraham, our father in faith.*
Psalm: Ps 115: 10, 15-19 *I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.*
2nd Reading: Romans 8:31-34 *God did not spare His own Son.*
Gospel: Mk 9: 2-10 *This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him.*

MASSES, MEETINGS & EVENTS

REGULAR MASS & SERVICE TIMES:

Weekday Mass:

Tue, Wed & Fri - 9am at St Oliver Plunkett Church

Thu - 9am at Holy Family Church

Weekend Mass:

Sat - 6pm at St Oliver Plunkett Church

Sun - 8am at The Holy Family Church

Sun - 9.30am at St Oliver Plunkett Church

Reconciliation: Sat 5-5.30pm St Oliver Plunkett Church

Eucharistic Adoration: 1st Friday of the month following 9.00am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church

Welcoming Mass: 1st Sunday of the month at 9.30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church to welcome children receiving Baptism into the Parish community.

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

Little Lanterns Liturgy: 1st Sunday of the month during the 9.30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church.

Hospitality:

1st Sunday of the month following Mass at both Churches
Every Wednesday after 9.00am Mass at the Parish Hall

COMING UP:

Sat 17th—33rd Anniversary of the official blessing and opening of Holy Family Church, Speakers from Caritas, Anniversary of the 1826 approval of the Oblate congregation and its Rule

Sun, 18th Feb—1st Sunday of Lent, Speakers from Caritas 9.30am Rite of Acceptance at St Oliver Plunkett Church

Mon, 19th Feb—Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Meeting

Thu, 22nd Feb—Feast of the Chair of St Peter, Apostle, 6.30-8.30pm Connect Dinner at the Taylors

Fri 23th Feb—6.00pm Stations of the Cross + Mass, No 9.00am Mass, Day of Abstinence

Sun, 25th Feb—2nd Sunday of Lent

Tue, 27th Feb—6.30pm Parish Leadership Team Meeting

Wed, 28th Feb—4.00pm Parish Liturgy Meeting

Fri, 1st Mar—9.30am World Day of Prayer, 6.00pm Stations of the Cross + Mass, No 9.00am Mass, Abstinence

Sun, 3rd Mar—2nd Sunday of Lent, Little Lanterns Liturgy, Welcoming Mass, Hospitality

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, 27th February 2024

Wed: Parish Liturgy Meeting—Monthly at 4.30pm
Next Meeting: 4.30pm, 28th February 2024

Thu: Parish Finance Council Meeting—Bimonthly at 4.30pm
Next Meeting: 4.30pm, TBC 2024

Strengthen the Household of Faith Jesus asks us to demonstrate our love for Him through our generosity to others. In our everyday lives, He calls us to share our gifts. "Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25: 40) A gift in any amount given through your Will strengthens our household of faith. For more information about how you can leave a legacy to Cannon Hill Parish, call Catholic Foundation, 3324 3200 or call the parish office.

Gospel for 11th February - Mark 1: 12-15

He was in the wilderness forty days, tested by Satan, and he was with the wild beasts, and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the good news of God and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."



Happy 33rd Anniversary to the Church of the Holy Family!



Connect Dinner

Previous Alpha participants, partners and family are warmly invited to a Connect Dinner every second Thursday, 6.30-8.30pm.

22nd February—hosted by Dorothy & Robert
7th March—hosted by Joe & Briony
Contact the Parish office for more details and don't forget to bring a plate!



Stations of the Cross

6.00pm followed by Mass in St Oliver Plunkett Church every Friday night during Lent.

Please note that there will not be the usual 9.00am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church on Fridays during Lent.

Hospitality

After 8.00am Mass at Tingalpa & 9.30am Mass at Cannon Hill - 1st Sunday of the month

After 9.00am Mass Cannon Hill - every Wednesday Morning

Due to Ash Wednesday falling on 14th February, morning tea will be on Tuesday, 13th February



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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



OUR SICK

Please contact the Parish Office to add names to 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, Jo Lohrisch, Ken Drego, Robin McComb, Melisa Duffy.

RECENTLY DECEASED / ANNIVERSARIES

Eileen Ehmer, May Loughton (sister of Maureen Martin)

RCIA

See Ling Lee

Mass Intentions - Week beginning 18th February 2024

Tuesday 9am - Burpengary Parish

Wednesday 9am - St Peter's Parish, Hong Kong

Thursday 9am - Lesmurdie Parish

Friday 9am - Oblate Youth Ministries

Weekend Masses offered for the intentions of all in the Parish



Sacrament of Confirmation

The Parish is offering children enrolment in its 2024 program.

In Grade 3 (generally the year when children turn eight) or later, a Baptised child is sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Older Baptised children are also welcome to be Confirmed if they haven't had a chance to do so.

Please find the enrolment form and dates for preparation at: cannonhillparish.org.au/confirmation/

Enrolments close 17th March.



Project Compassion brings you the stories of three resilient women: Ronita from the Philippines, Leaia from Samoa and Memory from Malawi. While from three different corners of the world and facing vastly different challenges, they are all united by one dream: to create a better world for all future generations.



Please donate to Project Compassion.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

Volunteer Focus: Children's Liturgy of the Word

Little Lanterns Liturgy is held during the 9.30am Mass on the first Sunday of each month, March to December.

It is designed to provide the next generation of church goers with an experience of the Gospel in an engaging way that they can relate to.

We would love to new members, any age, to share their love of God in this vital ministry—you are welcome to just sit in the sessions, help with activities or train to become a presenter. Materials for all the activities are provided.

Join us on Sunday, 3rd March to have a look and see if you would be interested in being involved.

Please speak to Paul, Ronda, Barb or Norma to find out more information or contact the Parish office.

Volunteers will need to hold or apply for a Blue Card.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Cannon Hill Catholic Parish hosts World Day of Prayer on Friday morning, 1st March.

You are warmly invited to share fellowship with our local churches on the international World Day of Prayer.

Together we will pray for Christian women in Palestine and support the Bible Society Project there which provides hope, healing and support for Christians and all people that need to experience God's love and mercy.

Please come prepared as there will be a collection to support the work of the Bible Study Project.

Thank you to everyone that has volunteered to help read during the service and prepare morning tea.

De Mazenod Family Lent Program 2024

The De Mazenod Family Team are excited to share this year's Lenten Program with you - **Exploring the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary** - a traditional prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Each week you are invited to reflect through story, prayer and sharing as we walk our individual journeys with Jesus, focussing on the events in the last twenty-four hours of Jesus' life.

Sessions are online via De Mazenod Family Zoom, Thursday evenings at 8.00pm AEDT.

You can also take this program offline and reflect on it at your own pace during Lent.

Session and download details are via :

demazenodfamily.com.au/lenten-program/ or scan the QR Code.



Thank you to everybody who answered the call to join the Cannon Hill Hospitality Team. Anyone is welcome to make or bake goodies to share for morning tea, first Sunday every month.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

New envelopes will be issued soon.

Please let the Parish office know if you don't want to use the envelopes anymore.

Watch Seasons 1-3 of THE CHOSEN -

<https://www.thechosentv.com.au/>



Missionary Oblates Of Mary Immaculate

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

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Yuggera and Turral 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

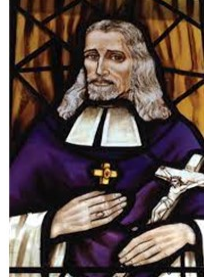
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MASS & RECONCILIATION TIMES as per the left hand on the inside page

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



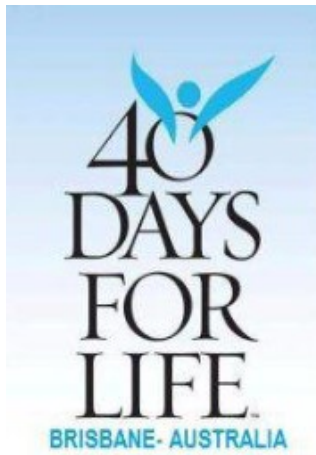
40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil

We believe in the sanctity of life from the moment of conception.

That's why 40 Days for Life in Brisbane has been praying to end abortion through each Lent for the past 15 years.

We'd love for you to join us any time until Palm Sunday, 24th March in prayer or physically at 20 Abbotsford Rd Bowen Hills (outside Bowen Hills train station).

For more details email us at 40daysbrisbane@gmail.com or visit our website 40dff.net



LENT 2024

ALL NEW PARISH MISSION EVENT PRESENTED BY THE CATHOLIC GUY

St John the Baptist Catholic church
131 South Pine Rd, Enoggera QLD

4 - 7 MARCH 2024

FREE ADMISSION

DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR LENT 2024

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REGULAR EVENTS

IGNITE YOUTH
EVERY FRIDAY 7-9:30PM
DURING SCHOOL TERMS, TEENAGERS FROM ACROSS BRISBANE COME TOGETHER FOR A NIGHT OF GAMES, ACTIVITIES, MUSIC AND FAITH, COMMENCING 9TH FEB 2024.

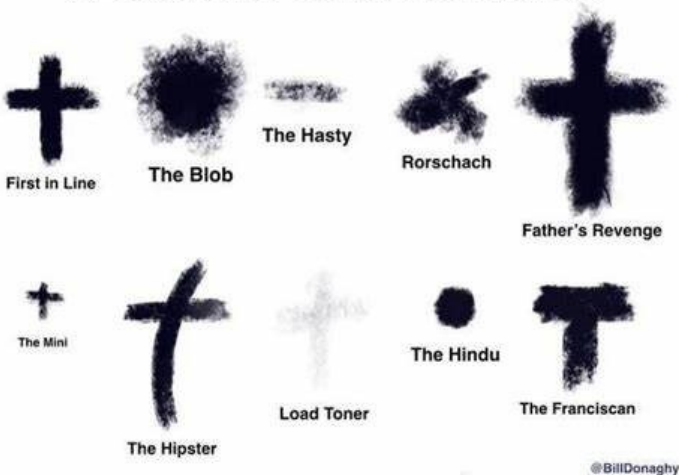
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IGNITE HIGH WORSHIP

FEB 23rd	JUL 19th
MAR 22nd	AUG 16th
APR 26th	OCT 18th
JUN 14th	NOV 15th

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR WE TAKE IGNITE HIGH TO THE NEXT LEVEL WITH PRAISE AND WORSHIP, INSPIRATIONAL TALKS, AND MORE.

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Policy available at <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/privacy-policy/> or on request.