



Hendra & Northgate

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish

Living and Growing In The Spirit

St John's Church
688 Nudgee Road, Northgate

Our Lady Help of Christians Church
Cnr Bowman Street and Manson Road, Hendra

PARISH VISION

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, comprising St John's, Northgate and Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra, is a welcoming, caring and inclusive community which values and promotes faith development and participation for all and affirms the place God has in our lives.

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Weekend Masses:

Our Lady Help of Christians
Cnr Manson Rd and Bowman St, Hendra
Saturday - 5.30pm, Sunday - 9.30am & 6.00pm
St John's, 688 Nudgee Rd, Northgate
Sunday - 8.00am
St Cecilia's, Cnr College & Hants Sts, Hamilton
Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 8.30am

Weekday Mass Times

Mon 22 May	No Masses
Tue 23 May	6.30am OLHC Mass *Rosary before Mass
Wed 24 May	9.00am OLHC Mass
Thur 25 May	6.30am OLHC Mass *Rosary before Mass
Fri 26 May	9.00am St John's Mass
Sat 27 May	7.00am OLHC Mass *Rosary before Mass

Confession:
OLHC: SAT - 5.00pm before 5.30pm Mass
St Cecilia's - Before 5.30pm Saturday Mass



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A 21 MAY 2017

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

We live in hope because we have been blessed with the opportunity of participating in the exaltation of Jesus. This hope is based on promises: the promise that we will not be left orphaned when Jesus returns to his Father; the promise that we will be comforted by the Spirit whom Jesus will send. It is trust in God that enables us to live in this world as if the promises have already been fulfilled, for in fact, it is precisely such living that fulfils them.

We have not celebrated the Ascension, and yet all three readings speak of the Spirit. The same Spirit, who quickened the resurrected life of Jesus, enlivens us. This Spirit strengthens, comforts, guides and inspires us. Life in the Spirit requires that we conform our lives to the commandments of God, not in a legalistic or constraining way but out of love. The love that comes to us through the Spirit will then overflow into the lives of others, and we will be agents of God's love in the world.

The Spirit given by Christ is mediated through the laying on of hands. This still happens in our day in the gentle touch of friends, in the loving touch of parents, in the healing touch of those who cure both the body and the spirit. The liturgical year is preparing us for the Ascension of Jesus into heaven, and Jesus is preparing us for life in the Spirit here on earth. This is the reason for our hope.

CORPUS CHRISTI CELEBRATIONS AND PROCESSION: Sunday 18th June 2017 2pm
St Stephen's Cathedral. Proceedings will be led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. Also see www.corpuschristibrisbane.com. All welcome to this wonderful experience!

ANNUAL RACING MASS—SUNDAY 4 JUNE 2017, 11.00AM: The traditional Annual Racing Mass will be held again at OLHC Church, Hendra on Sunday 4 June 2017 at 11.00am. **HELP WANTED:** Help is required with setting up, serving and cleaning up. We also need donations of food – savoury slices, mini quiches, sausage rolls, cheerios, sweets, slices, square cakes (for easy cutting) etc. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to assist.



**Our YOUTH are not just the future of the Church....
They are the Present**

- ◆ **YOUTH MASS** at Hendra OLHC at 9.30 am, Sunday 11 June 2017
- ◆ Music will be led by Sione Mohenoa and team
- ◆ Our youth (age 18 -35) are welcome to a social gathering and BBQ lunch at the Parish Hall after the Mass.
- ◆ Contact Jason on 0402 687 535 or Joseph on 0405 576 597



RITE OF RECEPTION for BAPTISM:

We warmly welcome Mia Djusic to the Mother of Mercy Parish community. We ask God's blessings on her and her family as they prepare for Baptism.

**PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION :**

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be officiated by Bishop Brian Finnigan at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Hendra on **Friday 2nd June 2017. All parishioners are most welcome to attend.** We ask parishioners to keep the children and their families in your prayers as they journey towards Confirmation.

NATIONAL WEEKEND for MEN MAX17 "UNLESS...": THIS A MUST ATTEND EVENT FOR MEN hosted and run by menALIVE. The menALIVE MAX 17 weekend is an Annual National Catholic Men's Conference Event. Now in its 14th year. It is not just a conference of presentations but a comprehensive experience. The theme this year is "UNLESS". The material and experience on the weekend is all NEW to previous years and comprehensively different to the parish weekends run nationally. The Details:

WHEN? 7.30 pm FRIDAY 14 th to 2 pm Sunday 16th July 2017
WHERE? St Leo's Catholic College, University of Queensland, Brisbane
COST? from \$245 per person includes 2 nights' accommodation 6 meals and a great event.
REGISTER NOW Contact: mail@menalive.org.au /Peter Carrigan – 0404 496 405 /Robert Falzon — 0412 745 734 **Please see flyers/pamphlets at the church doors.**

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL (ACYF): The Archdiocese of Brisbane Youth Evangelisation Office invites youth of the Archdiocese to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in **Sydney from 7-9 December 2017.** ACYF is designed to provide an opportunity for young people who are in Year 9 at school, to those who are 30 years old, to deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to be disciples in the world today and encounter and celebrate the vitality of the Catholic Church in Australia. For more information, please visit the website <http://youthfestival.catholic.org.au/>

DAY OF PRAYER: The Canossian Sisters are running a day of prayer and reflection for young women and men from 18-40years.

Date: Saturday 10th June 2017
Time: 9am-5pm
Venue: Lay Centre, Canossa Complex, 169 Seventeen Mile Rocks Rd, Oxley
Cost: \$10 (Includes lunch)
 For more information or to RSVP contact Sr. Melissa 0484 007 508.

Parish Activities**Parish Playgroup**

Playgroup is held in the Parish Hall, 23 Bowman St, Hendra, every Friday (during School Terms) from 9.00am till 11.00am (babies to Prep). **All welcome.** Volunteers are needed to support this happy venture. Please call the Parish Office on 3268 3040.

Wednesday morning Bingo/Morning tea:

Bingo/morning tea is held in the Parish Hall from 9.30-11.30am each Wednesday (during School Terms). Please come and support this social gathering.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of the month after the 9.00am Mass at St John's, Northgate.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

6.00pm—7.00pm on the First Friday of the month at Our Lady Help of Christians, Hendra.

Anointing and Healing Mass: Second Friday of the month at 9.00am at St John's, Northgate. **Morning tea** will be shared after the Mass. All welcome.

Rosary: Join us for the ROSARY at Hendra which is recited on Tuesday & Thursday at 6.00am and Saturday at 6.30am. It is an opportunity to pray for peace in our troubled world and for our special intentions.

Morning tea after Sunday Mass—St Johns: Morning tea will be shared after every **First Sunday** of the Month at St John's, Northgate. All welcome.

Parish Spirituality Group: The group meets once a month to look at and discuss the gospel reading for the next Sunday. For enquiries, please contact Kate McLean on 3868 4433 or the Parish Office on 3268 3040.

HOW TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE PARISH:

Donations to the parish are received most appreciatively and can be made as follows:

1. It is preferable to pay by direct debit to the Parish – please see details below:
 Parish Account details: Mother of Mercy Parish
 CBA BSB 064 786 A/C 006 556 001
 Please note "Donation" and your family name as a reference.
 Please email our finance officer at: finance.hendra@bne.catholic.net.au with receipt/remittance after your payment has been made.
2. Place donations in an marked envelope on the collection plate at Mass.
3. Deliver to the Parish Office, 1st floor, 25 Bowman St, Hendra.

ROSTERS WEEKEND 27-28 MAY 2017

Ministry	OLHC Sat 5.30	OLHC Sun 9.30am	OLHC Sun 6.00pm	St John's Sunday 8.00am
Special Ministers	A4 Val Walsh, Neil and Margaret Casey	B4 Matthew Murphy, Paul/Kate McLean, Rosemary Dowling	C4 Peter and Mary Myers	3 Therese Richardson, Heather Vigor, Aileen Collins
Readers	A4 Vicki Ward, David Hughes	B4 Monica Johnson, Neville Canham	C4 Ann and Peter Wall	1 Maree Ganley, Phil Ganley
Sacristy	Denise Cannon			Piety Stall 4th Sunday Jim Kelly
Counters	Peter Ryan, Michael Shine			4 Pat Buckley, Aileen Collins

TRUTH, JUSTICE AND HEALING COUNCIL

More information may be obtained by accessing their web site: <http://www.tjhcouncil.org.au/>

PARISH COLLECTION

Thank you to all who generously contributed to the mission of the Hendra and Northgate Parish on the weekend of 13th and 14th May 2017.

Loose Collection: \$ 1,594.25 Plan Giving Envelopes: \$ 825.00

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

Under 8s Day: Next Friday 26 May Prep to Year 2 students from Holy Cross Woolloowin, Holy Spirit New Farm and Mary of the Cross at Windsor along with a number of Kindy students from around the local community will converge on OLHC for Under 8s Day. Over 300 students will engage in a range of activities linked to this year's theme, 'Children are playing country to coast'. There will be a morning of fun with kids getting their hands dirty in the garden, a native animal show, creative art and craft activities and some active fun on the oval - even some messy biscuit decorating. Under Eights Week is from the 20th to the 27th May 2017 - an event that has been proudly running in Queensland for over sixty years and coordinated by Early Childhood Australia's Queensland Branch. Thank you to the many parents who have volunteered to help out for the morning. It is primed to be a wonderful event for students across our local schools and Kindies.

Walk Safely to School: Stunning weather greeted us at TC Beirne Park on Wednesday morning. It was lovely that so many parents were able to get involved in encouraging safety and activity for our students. Wonderful coordination again from Monica Florence and Aron Wendt and thanks to Nundah Woolworths for their donation of fruit.

Zone Cross Country: Friday 12th May, 43 students represented OLHC at the Zone Cross Country Championships. It was a great day with fantastic efforts made by all of our students. Special mention must be made of their behaviour and also their encouragement of all our runners. Some results in particular that should be celebrated were our Intermediate Girls division finishing 3rd overall and our Junior Boys division who finished 2nd overall. It was in the Junior Boys event that saw a determined effort by Spencer Thomson, setting a hot speed throughout the 1Km event he won the race!

OLHC PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY—FRIDAY 2 JUNE: The OLHC school community warmly invites all interested families to visit the school at 23 Bowman St, Hendra, between 9.00-10.30am on Friday 2 June 2017 for it's Open Day. If you would like a personal tour, please contact the school on 3268 3070.

God Bless *Duncan Maitland—Acting Principal*

Discere Discernment Day Retreat: Vocations Brisbane is running a day for young women and men who are keen to explore more about a vocation to priesthood or religious life. All young women and men 18-40yrs old are welcome to come along and discover more about where God is calling you!

Date: Saturday 8th July 2017

Time: 9am-5pm

Venue: Carmelite Monastery, 287 Wellington St, Ormiston

For more information or to RSVP contact Sr. Melissa 0484 007 508.

◆ "What you are is God's gift to you, what
◆ you become is your gift to God."
◆ — Hans Urs von Balthasar, Prayer

A VOCATION VIEW: That Jesus rose from the dead is our Faith. That we can be reborn in the Spirit is our Hope. That we can do God's work is our Love. Follow God's Call.



vocation

To talk to someone about your vocation, contact
Vocation Brisbane.
P: (07) 3336 9392
E: vocation@bne.catholic.net.au
W: www.catholicpriesthood.com

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS:

First Reading: Acts 8:5-8. 14-17

Responsorial Psalm

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Second Reading: 1 Pt 3:15-18 or 1 Pt 4:13-16

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Jn 14:15-21



Music Ministry generously supported by Mirvac

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

SUNDAY 28 MAY 2017

ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR A

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

Second Reading: Eph 1:17-23

Gospel: Mt 28:16-20

WE PRAY FOR

The Recently Deceased: Kevin Brazel, Frank Wilkie

Anniversaries: Judith Hallin, Neville and Rhonda Martin, Christian and Mavis Thomsen

The Sick

Margaret O'Brien, Ramina Khan, Lucia Rigoglioso, Ryan Clayden-Zabik, Desmond Ryan, Rob Bruce, Clive Cass, Margaret Paterson, Josip Bicanic, Marie Connor, Christina Peters, Hilary Collins, Matthew Gray, Raymond King, Naomi Garden, Paul Ferguson, Kerri Smith, Patti Davies, Wayne Evans, Dale Martin, Max Lyons, Patricia Anderson, Patrick Broe, Vivienne O'Sullivan, Sean Sturges, Simon Powell, Audrey Ryan, Fr James Browne, Dell McHugh, Rakesh Akhil, Fr Peter Conroy, The Residents of Merriwee (Bluecare at Hamilton), Isabelle Leddick (7 yr old), Charles Darmanin, Mary Gilmer, Maurice Conquest, Fr John Dobson, Colleen Scott, Dominic Beirne, Theresa Cecily Claffey (Tess), Trevor Gozzard, John Ryan (brother of Val Walsh), Harry Akhil, Michael Hogan, Marie Kirwan, Sonny Petrou, Collette Tayler (sister of Kevin Dunn), Muriel Gracie, Gordon Kunst, Paul Brannelly



HOLY LAND TOUR 2018

12 Days from Sunday 28 January to Thursday 8 February 2018:

Following inspirational tours over the last several years, Fr Paul, our Parish Priest, will once again lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in January/February next year, his last pilgrimage for the foreseeable future due to parish commitments.

You are invited to join a remarkable journey through the Holy Land, following in the footsteps of Christ, the Apostles and the early Christians. Fr Paul would very much like others to experience the Holy Land in the profound and meaningful way previous groups have experienced it. A fascinating 12 day tour combining visits to all the important sacred Christian sites in Bethlehem, Nazareth, Galilee and Jerusalem with other historical attractions will provide unforgettable experiences of the Holy Land.

We have secured an excellent price for the tour - the cost per person twin share is \$4,990.00. Seats are filling up fast—book now to join the tour!

For further information please contact Fr Paul on 0428 624 287, Monica in the Parish Office on 3268 3040 (email: hendra@bne.catholic.net.au) or Harvest Journeys on 1800 819 156 (visit harvestjourneys.com).

