*St. Theresa’s Parish Community Newsletter*



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*“Do Small Things Well”*

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT Year B 16 & 17 March 2024

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| The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with generous supporters and the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities. Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, for all future generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413. |

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| MASSES THIS WEEK ST THERESA’SDrummartin St, Albion 9.00am Friday10.30am SundayMOTHER OF GODBlanche St, Ardeer10.00am Wednesday (Pol) 9.00am Thursday 6.00pm Friday (Polish) 5.30pm Saturday10.15am Sunday (Polish)QUEEN OF HEAVENHolt St, Ardeer 8.00am Wednesday 9.00am Sunday |  | THANKSGIVING ENVELOPESAre available today for pick at the back of the church.CHRIST’S CATHOLIC COMMUNITYPrayer Group meets every Thursday, 7.00 - 8.30pm, at Queen of Heaven Church. All are welcomeCOLLECTIONS RECEIVEDThanksgiving $614 Loose Money $305 Presbytery $395COUNTERS 24th March  Team 5: J Camilleri, M Buhagiar, J ZammitFEAST DAYS St Patrick,17 MarchSt Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 19 MarchREADINGS Today Next WeekJeremiah 31.31-34 Isaiah 50.4-7Ps 51.1-2,10-11,12-13(R.10) Ps 22.7-8,16-17,18-19,22-23 (R.1)Hebrews 5.7-9 Philippians 2.6-11John 12.20-33 Mark 14.1 – 15.47 |

THE GIFT FOR FR BARRY, from the Parish was a computer and money for Art, thank you.

ROBERT BRENNAN, Principal of Caroline Chisolm Catholic College passed away last Saturday.

ST JOHN OF GOD HEALTH CARE, Opening ceremony and blessing by Fr Barry Hughes will be held on Thursday 21st March, 10.30am at 54-56 Blanche Street Ardeer. Refreshments will be served after ceremony.

QUALIFIED ELECTRICIAN NEEDED For paid work to check switchboards, smoke detectors tag and test within the Parish buildings, please contact Parish Office on 9311 3091

*St Theresa’s Parish is committed to the safety of children, young people and vulnerable adults*

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 23rd March *(Individual Confession)*

 9.00am - Mother of God

 10.00am - St Theresa's

11.00am - Queen of Heaven

EASTER CEREMONIES

Holy Thursday, 28th March

 7.00pm - Mother of God (Polish) Mass of the Lord's Supper

 7.00pm - Queen of Heaven Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, 29th March

 10.30am - Queen of Heaven to Mother of God Stations of the Cross

 3.00pm - Mother of God Solemn Ceremonies

 5.00pm - Mother of God (Polish) Solemn Ceremonies

Saturday, 30th March

 12.00noon - Mother of God (Polish) Blessing of Food

 5.00pm - Mother of God (Polish) Vigil Mass

 7.00pm - St Theresa's Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, 31st March

 9.00am - Queen of Heaven Mass

 10.15am - Mother of God (Polish) Mass

 10.30am - St Theresa's Mass

Easter Monday, 1st April

 9.00am - Mother of God (Polish) Mass

PROJECT COMPASSION – PARTNERSHIP IN ACTION

Jeremiah 31:31–34 I Ps 50:3–4. 12–5. R. v.12 | Hebrews 5:7–9 I John 12:20–33

*Written by Michael McGirr*

The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground, working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities.

Caritas Australia partners with the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ) to support communities living in urban slums in the Philippines. FCJ runs a number of programs that include house renovating, food processing, basic literacy skills, urban gardening, upcycling and income generating activities. They also have a clinic visited weekly by a doctor and community nurse.

Caritas Australia partners with Caritas Samoa to assist communities to have increased access to clean water, sanitation and hygiene to ensure human health and well-being by providing water tanks and sanitation facilities.

Caritas Australia partners with the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi through the A+ program. Since 2016, the A+ program has helped 7,397 families across Malawi improve their food security, access to basic water and sanitation, boost women’s income generation and strengthen child protection.

Jen (centre), teacher at Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ), teaches a class of students as part of the Alternative Learning System (ALS). Photo: Richard Wainwright/Caritas Australia.