

SAINT MARGARET MARY'S

Weekend Masses

Saturday 6:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday 9:00am (English)
Sunday 10:30am (Italian)
Sunday 5:00pm (Vietnamese)

Weekday Masses

Tuesday – Friday 9:00am
(Wednesday - Italian)

Reconciliation (1st Rite)

By appointment

Baptisms

1st Sunday of the month

Weddings

By appointment

Holy Hour

(English/Italian)
Every 1st Friday of month 8:00am – 9:00am
(Vietnamese)
Every Sunday 3:00pm - 4:00pm

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B

Readings:

Genesis 9:8-15
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:12-15

Ministers:

(Sat/Sab) J Anderson
(Sun/Dom 9:00am) C Giani
(Sun/Dom 10:00am) C Granata

Commentators:

(Sat/Sab) J Hunter
(Sun/Dom 9:00am) J Smyth

Readers:

(Sat/Sab) J Hunter
(Sun/Dom 9:00am) M McLeod
(Sun/Dom 10:30am) L Scutella

Counter:

E Frassetto



Welcome to St Margaret Mary's Parish

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SATURDAY 10TH & SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2024
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B



The Leprosy left him and he was cured.

Mark 1:40-45

LIVING THE GOSPEL

Reach out and touch someone
who needs a sign of acceptance or
a gift of compassion.

PARISH DIARY / DIARIO PARROCCHIALE

10 / 11 FEBRUARY 2024

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B

FEBRUARY

14 **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Masses :

- 9:00am English / Italian

- 7:00pm Vietnamese

16 Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

17/18 **1ST SUNDAY OF LENT**

23 Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

24/25 **2ND SUNDAY OF LENT**

MARCH

1 Holy Hour 8:00am followed by Mass

1 Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

2/3 **3RD SUNDAY OF LENT**

6 **Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00pm**



FINANCE/FINANZE – 4/02/2024

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

- Church \$236.20

- Presbytery \$135.00

LOOSE CASH

- Church \$255.80

- Presbytery \$255.80

DIRECT DEPOSITS TO CHURCH

- January \$325

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH ELECTRONICALLY

CASHLESS PAYMENTS:

CDFPay for Parish:

<https://bit.ly/CDFpayBrunswickNorth>

OR DIRECT DEPOSIT:

Church A/C: BSB: 083-347 ACC: 542820812

Presbytery A/C: BSB: 083-347 ACC: 543011742

Thank you/Grazie

PENSIERO DOMENICALE

Forse ci sono coloro tra noi a cui sembrava che nessuno li voleva bene, e che si sentivano rigettati da altri. Sarà stata un'occasione quando un amico o parente non è venuto al pranzo a cui era stato invitato, senza scuse. È capitato a noi di aver salutato un amico che risponde con un muso lungo?

Immaginiamoci la situazione in cui si sentono i bambini abbandonati. La parabola del lebbroso ci da un esempio di cosa vuol dire essere abbandonati, disprezzati, di non avere un posto degno nella nostra comunità, sociale o parrocchiale! Avendo resa pubblica la sua guarigione, il lebbroso purtroppo costringe Gesù a nascondersi dalle autorità in un luogo privato!

Please remember in your prayers / Gentilmente ricordate nelle vostre preghiere:



OUR SICK / NOSTRI MALATI

Our family members and friends and our parishioners.

WE REMEMBER / RICORDIAMO

Antonio Paoliello, Vivien Paoliello.

Responsorial Psalm Response

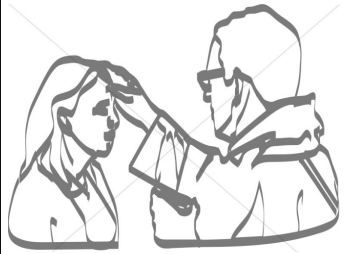
I turn to you Lord, in time of trouble and you fill me with the joy of salvation.



CUPPA AFTER MASS

This weekend, as you're walking out of Mass stop by the gathering space and enjoy some refreshments on offer.

Bought to you by the Welcoming Committee!



Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 14th February

Mass and Distribution of Ashes

- 9:00am English / Italian

- 7:00pm Vietnamese

Ash Wednesday

The Day of Ashes (Latin: *dies cinerum*), the first day of Lent, probably dates from at least the eighth century. On this day the faithful approach the altar where the priest, dipping his thumb into ashes previously blessed, marks the forehead of each with the sign of the cross, saying as a reminder of our mortality: 'Remember that thou art dust and unto dust thou shalt return.'

The wearing of ashes is also a sign of repentance - for example, in Job 42:6 we read: 'I retract what I have said and repent in dust and ashes.' The ashes are made by burning the blessed palms that were distributed the previous year on Palm Sunday.

LENTEN DEVOTION

The Stations of the Cross are held every Friday at 7:00pm during lent. All welcome.

DEVOZIONE QUARESIMALE

La Via Crucis sarà celebrata ogni Venerdì alle 7 durante la quaresima. Siete tutti benvenuti.

THE RISING OF 'THE LIVING DEAD'

The sight of a leper, with bits of skin dangling from one's extremities such as fingers and toes, would easily arouse a range of feelings in most of us, such as compassion, repulse and even anger. A disease which fortunately does not afflict people in twenty first Western society, is sadly still found in parts of the world, just as it was centuries ago deep in the Sinai Peninsula.

Confronted with leprosy, or similar skin conditions, Moses and his leaders decided that such persons were impure, and as such they were banished to live well away from any contact with members of the community. Both the 'impure' man and Jesus knew the rules, but the man in Mark's account seemed quite oblivious to these restrictions. In what could have been interpreted as an act of defiance, he approached Jesus, a definite 'no-no', and as Jesus stood his ground, the faith-filled man let him know that "If you will, you can make me clean."

Already deeply affected by the sight of the 'condemned' man, Jesus was visibly moved with compassion, or, as scholars inform us, he actually showed anger at the injustice which had been perpetrated. "Of course I do, be clean". and in a tangible sign of affection, he touched him. Both men had broken several prescriptions, but neither Jesus nor the man showed the least bit of concern. What mattered was that the man who had been condemned to be a LIVING-DEAD would now be able to rise to the life which had been denied him.

We may not be so hard on Moses, because excommunications and exclusions continue to blot our otherwise inclusive nature. A woman may not join the bingo group any more, a student is no longer welcome among the select group of friends, people with alternative lifestyles or choices are shunned. We would do well to examine the choices we make.



PROJECT COMPASSION

Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes will be available in the Church entrance from Wednesday. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water, sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.

Donations can also be made by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.



HAPPY LUNAR

NEW YEAR !!!

New Rosters Ready for Pickup

Please find the roster for March-May is now available for collection from the church foyer.

Thank you to all the people who participate in these important ministries.

Fr Anthony