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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

16th August, 2020

THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER

On the 15th of August we celebrate the Assumption of our Blessed Mother. We believe that Mary was taken to Heaven, both body and soul. For centuries, this belief had been a popular tradition among many of the faithful, even though, it hadn't been defined by the Church as a revealed dogma. That did not happen until 1950, when Pope Pius XII declared Mary's Assumption to be an official teaching of the Church. That declaration was the fruit of years of work as the Holy Spirit guided church leaders and theologians to a deeper and clearer understanding of Mary's role in the Scriptures.

The Holy Spirit, who has led us to many insights about Mary, was an intimate and guiding force in her own life, as well. Imagine Mary, a teenager, having to explain an unexpected pregnancy to her parents, to Joseph, and to her neighbours. We might have expected her to act as any typical teenager would: isolate herself, panic over the way her life had just been turned upside down, give in to fear for her safety, and worry about her reputation. But, Mary was far from a typical teenager. She didn't sit around feeling afraid or sorry for herself. Instead, she did the exact opposite. She listened to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and found the courage to put someone else's needs before her own. She immediately set off on a long journey to visit her older cousin Elizabeth, who was also pregnant. What happened when Mary greeted Elizabeth? The Holy Spirit revealed to Elizabeth that her cousin was bearing her people's longed-for Messiah. Also, the Spirit filled Mary's own heart with such joy that her beautiful prayer, called the Magnificat, burst forth from her.

If you are facing a problem and are confused, follow Mary's example and turn to the Holy Spirit. You'll know He is helping you if, instead of brooding over the situation, you feel a desire to get going and help the people around you. You'll know it's the Spirit if you get a sense that God is with you in this situation and that He will help you. Mary's 'yes' to the Spirit was a constant theme in her life, and it can be for you, too.

On this feast day, let us thank the Lord for the gift of our Blessed Mother, and let us pray to her to help us find the right path every day.

Mary is our Heavenly Mother. She is the supreme model of all virtues and hence our role model, especially in the holiness of life ("full of grace"), obedience to the will of God ("fiat"), and true humility ("Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it done to me as you have said").

Mary, pray that more and more people will turn to the Holy Spirit as you did.

By Fr. Geo Francis MCBS



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be ONLY BE OPENED on the following days

Monday 17th, Wednesday 19th & Friday 21st August

from 8.30am till 12.30pm next week. Thanks



MASS BOOKINGS

If you have already booked into a mass for the next 3 weeks and find you are unable to attend that mass could you please advise the Parish Office by phone **3285 6759** or email petrie@bne.catholic.net.au

Thank you

All Hallows' School Virtual Open Day – 10:30am Sunday 30 August

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Unfortunately The
Women of the Way
Retreat will not be held
this year due to COVID19

We are hopeful
to be able to
hold the
Retreat in
August 2021.



Baptism

This weekend at Petrie through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome:

Isabella Payot

The Parish would like to congratulate *Isabella* and her family on this special day.



Planned Giving

The new Planned Giving envelopes are now available for collection, the new envelopes start on the 16th August. If you wish to be apart of Planned Giving please contact the Parish Office. - *Thank You*

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Scripture Readings

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YR A

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 22:19-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 11:33-36.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 16:13-20.

Please remember in your prayers the following people:

Brian Carmichael, Scott Hines, Barry Guest, Rolf Germain, Pita Nepata, Norma Quinn, Marcus Neudecker, Neola Corby, Anne Feeney, Christina Peters, Samantha Pride, Terry Segrave, Rita Miles, Steven Williams, Rohan Somasekaran, Thomas Bird, Bradley Wright, Greg Olsson-Lalor, Nina & Raymond Dove, Tia Huff, Helen Chicken, Dorothy Davidson, John Engwicht, Vera Versace, Michelle Woodworth, Abbie Wellspring, Lloyd Mason, Sharon McCourt, Gina Morieni, Paige Hoffman, Nicole Blackburn, Amanda Moyle, Tim McNickle, Kyle Huff, Nathalie Bernon, Ghishiane Smidt, Patrick Bosworth and Cath Campbell.

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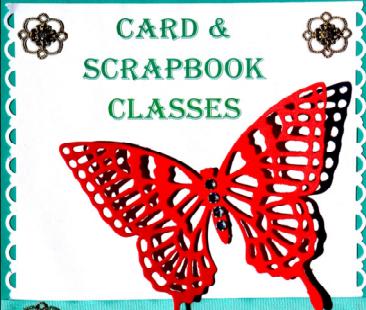
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