

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Hanging in there

Abraham's faith in God eventually brought him serenity and joy. The great patriarch had such trust in God's promise that it kept him going through life. We are impressed at how Abraham obeyed when God asked him to leave the past behind and launch out into an unknown future.

The Gospel says that a whoever belongs to Jesus need have no fear. People who make God their treasure, and commit to Christ as our guide to living, see life as a journey leading to our true home where a loving Father is there to welcome us. If we can keep our eyes fixed on the vision that God has promised and attune our ears to the voice of God in the scriptures and in the events of daily life, we can live with confidence in his presence.

The same Gospel suggests that God also makes demands of us. If the saints in Scripture had many proofs of God's love, they also experienced suffering both as individuals and as a race. Often their faith was seriously put to the test, like that of Abraham and his wife Sarah, when it seemed that the promise of children could never be realized. The spirituality of Abraham ruggedly trying out to follow God's call in the obscurity of faith remains a template for Christian faith.

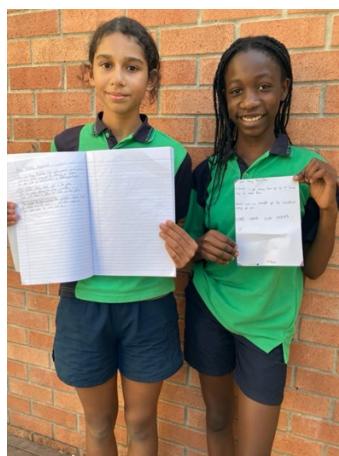
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9th/10th August 2025

We don't know in advance what demands God's love may make on us that will clash with our own plans. We cannot know when personal illness, bereavement or some other calamity will put us to the test. But we trust that our life will be a success if we set our hearts on being faithful to the will of God. Our faith, like Abraham's, leads us onward, always pointing to something still to come. If we have faith like his, at the end of our pilgrimage all of God's promises will be fulfilled.

From the Catholic Association of Priests

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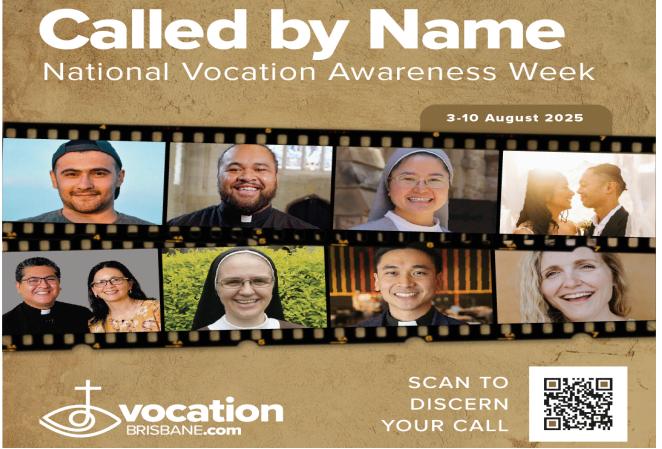


Our Year 5 and 6 students have been engaged in learning about Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, exploring her life and mission through the letters she wrote.

These letters have helped students reflect on Mary MacKillop's strength and her belief that every child deserves the opportunity to learn. The students also wrote letters to Mary for her to intercede. The year 5/6 class joined the parish community in a beautiful celebration of Mary MacKillop's Feast Day Mass on Friday, honouring her legacy and the values she lived by.



Blessings, Father Stanley.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME				PARISH PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK
Friday 8th August	Cooyar	6pm	Vigil	
Saturday 9th August	Blackbutt	5pm	Liturgy	
	Kumbia	6pm	Vigil	
Sunday 10th August	Nanango	8am	Mass	
	Kingaroy	10am	Mass	
First Reading: Responsorial Psalm:	Wisdom 18:6-9 Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.			
Second Reading: Gospel Acclamation:	Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 Alleluia, Alleluia! Be watchful and be ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!			
Gospel:	Luke 12:32-48			
WEEKDAY MASS - 19TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME				
Thursday 14th August	Blackbutt	9am	Mass	
	Kumbia	5:30pm	Liturgy	
Friday 15th August	Kingaroy	9am	Mass	
	Nanango	12pm	Mass	
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME				
Saturday 16th August	Blackbutt	5pm	Vigil	
Sunday 17th August	Kumbia	8am	Liturgy	
	Nanango	8am	Mass	
	Kingaroy	10am	Mass	
NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK 3 - 10 AUGUST				
<p>Vocation Brisbane's weekly Vocation Views are a simple way to keep the question of God's call in the minds of your parishioners and a great way to promote the message of vocations to those who might come across it.</p> <p>This National Vocation Awareness Week, Jesus calls us to be generous with the gifts that he has given. When we share our treasures with others, we will have a true treasure in heaven.</p>				
				
OLHC NANANGO - MAJELLAN MORNING TEA <p>The Majellan Morning tea will be on Tuesday 12th August 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in OLHC Parish Hall. All welcome. Please bring a plate to share.</p>				
<p>Recently Deceased: John Fowke, Kevin Fry, Filipe Munoz</p> <p>Death Anniversaries: Gilda Bliesner, Michael Hade, Kevin Kruske, Pearl Walters, Leona Bambosek, Ena Scott, Archie Smallwood, Georges Douillard, Matthew Pollock, Pat Price, Barry Tincknell, Anna Dolinowski & family, Graham Laherty, Ann Mangan.</p> <p>Prayers for the sick:</p> <p>OLHC Parish - Amelia Cole, Greg Knaggs, Joan Cronin, Damian Wyvill, Kyle Sutherland (Perrett), Chris Stevens, Shirley Warner, Bruce McCarthy.</p> <p>St Mary's Parish - Denise Mann, Liz Mamczur, Ellie Spicer, Joe Smoothy, Judy Stanton, Jo Saunders, Michael Carroll, Therese Hanley, Teresa O'Sullivan, Maree Janz, Terry Burns, Tony Cavanagh, Juliette McCorley, Bruce McCarthy.</p>				
FUNERALS				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family and friends are invited to attend a Requiem Mass for Kevin (Kev) Fry, to be held at St. Mary's, Kingaroy at 11am on the 20th August 2025. Family and friends are invited to attend a Requiem Mass for John Fowke, to be held at Our Lady Help of Christians Nanango at 10am on the 18th August 2025. 				
50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY				
<p>Congratulations to John and Anne Adams on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary this weekend. All our blessings and best wishes for the coming years to be filled with more love, joy and companionship.</p>				
				
PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE OF GAZA				
<p>Caritas Australia invites us to light a candle and pray for the people of Gaza.</p>				
Light a candle for Gaza				
<p>God of light, You meet us in the darkest places. Every year, when we light our Easter candle, we pray 'may the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our minds and hearts.' We pray today that all people may work with you to dispel the darkness of violence and war. May this fragile light be a sign of our hope for the people of Gaza. May they find healing and lasting peace. Amen.</p>				
<p><small>Photo: Adobe Stock</small></p> <p>If you are able to support Caritas Australia's Gaza Appeal, please donate online at www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413</p>				
 <p><i>Our Parishes acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we stand, the Wakka Wakka people and pay our respects to the elders past, present and emerging.</i></p>				