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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A

27th/28th June

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Welcoming a Saint

It is a wonderful thing to meet a man or woman of God. There is about such people a peace of such a fullness as communicates God to us. We, no less than the people of biblical times, are looking for someone to "give us a word:" a word which engenders faith and hope, a word which can ignite the smouldering embers of our heart unto a fire of a love which is beyond us.

To welcome such people in the sense of really accepting the word of the Gospel which they speak, more often through their being and actions rather than their words, is to welcome Christ and his Father. Jesus often speaks in the Gospel of his Father and himself coming to abide in the hearts of those who "keep his words" while the "sweet guest of the soul" is a beautiful title used if the Holy Spirit if the tradition.

Meeting someone good can also threaten us. It faces us with the necessity of change in our own life. Unfortunately this does not just mean the struggle to rid ourselves of obvious moral evil but even of things which are in themselves good and valuable in order to make way for newness. When we come face to face with Jesus the Way, the Truth and the Life the choice is even more radical the most valuable things in life such as family and even the quest for our own self-fulfilment must take second place and the following of Jesus which inevitably involves the cross of self-giving and change must be embraced.

When we choose Christ in baptism we choose immersion ('baptism') into his death. We are buried with him, we are grafted on to his death and our "old

self" is crucified with him. These images used by Paul in Romans 6:3-11 leave us in no doubt as to what welcoming Jesus and his word into our lives means. However, just as the woman of Shunem is rewarded with new life for receiving the "man of God" so the reward from welcoming Jesus is infinitely greater. We be-come the dwelling places of God himself and we become a "new creation" in the image of the Son.

From Association of Catholic Priests.

ST PAT'S NANANGO -Prue Clarke, APRE

Throughout the term, our students have continued to show community and compassion towards each other through thoughtful "shout outs" each morning that recognise kindness, generosity, and positive actions in others. These acknowledgments have strengthened belonging and encouragement across our school community.

Thank you to Fr Stanley, the parish office staff, and the wider parish community for your ongoing support, which continues to enrich the faith life of our school.

We look forward to continuing this journey together next term.

Blessings, Father Stanley.

CHURCH HALL PAINTING FUNDRAISING APPEAL

St Mary's has received a \$35,000 grant for Church Hall repairs but still needs \$19,000 to complete the work.

We also need \$15,000 to fix the church roof. To support the project please donate into the account below.

Electronic Credit deposit ONLY details:

BSB: 064 786 ACCOUNT NO: 100028264 (This account number cannot be used for over the counter deposits)

Reference: Please provide your name.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Friday 26th June	Cooyar	6pm	Vigil
Saturday 27th June	Blackbutt	5pm	Liturgy
	Kumbia	6pm	Vigil
Sunday 28th June	Nanango	8am	Mass
	Kingaroy	10am	Mass

First Reading: **2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16**
Responsorial Psalm For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
Second Reading: **Romans: 6:3-4, 8-11**
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. Alleluia!
Gospel: **Matthew 10:37-42**

WEEKDAY MASS OF 13TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Thursday 2nd July	Blackbutt	9am	Mass
	Kumbia	5:30pm	Mass
ANNOINTING MASS			
Friday 3rd July	Kingaroy	9 am	Mass
	Nanango	12pm	Liturgy

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 4th July	Blackbutt	5pm	Vigil
Sunday 5th July	Kumbia	8am	Liturgy
	Nanango	8am	Mass
	Kingaroy	10am	Mass

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

On the **weekend of the 27/28th June**, parishes in the Archdiocese of Brisbane will take up the Peter's Pence Collection. This collection gives Catholics an opportunity to join in communion with the Catholic faithful throughout the world in support of the charitable works of the Holy See.



REMINDER: LAY MINISTERS TRAINING

At Blackbutt on Saturday 27th June, the lay-led liturgy training will be run by Sr. Judy for parishioners from Blackbutt, Cooyar and Yarraman.

Gospel Focus by Greg Sunter – Anyone who welcomes

Having spelled out the difficulties of discipleship throughout Ch 10, the gospel writer has Jesus reassuring the disciples that anyone who welcomes them welcomes him. There are echoes here of other parts of the Gospel of Matthew: the Beatitudes, with its blessings on the poor and humble of heart; the welcome of children, the 'little ones' of the kingdom; and the Last Judgment (Mt 24), that reminds us that whatever we do for the least in the world we do for Jesus. Jesus even describes the disciples as 'little ones' – a reminder both to them and to those who welcome them.

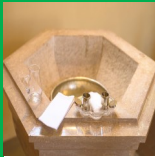
PARISH PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Recently Deceased: Max Downey
Death Anniversaries: Lenore Wyvill, Thomas Smith, Gerhart Reichmann, Gary Reichmann, Andreiczuk Family.
Prayers for the sick:
OLHC Parish - Amelia Cole, Greg Knaggs, Damian Wyvill, Kyle Sutherland (Perrett), Chris Stevens, Shirley Warner, Bruce McCarthy, Wendy Smith, Luke Colahan, Kylie Lane.
St Mary's Parish - Denise Mann, Liz Mamczur, Ellie Spicer, Joe Smoothy, Judy Stanton, Jo Saunders, Michael Carroll, Therese Hanley, Teresa O'Sullivan, Juliette McCorley, Bruce McCarthy, Rikie Brinkman, Bernice Mahoney, Julianne Cross, Megan Manthey.

FR STANLEY'S BIRTHDAY GATHERING

A simple relaxed and informal gathering is being planned for Fr Stanley's Birthday on the **24th of July, from 3pm, at the Nanango Presbytery**. It will be in the style of a backyard BBQ. If you are attending, BYO chair, meat (for the BBQ), a plate (eg. salad or sweets), drinks, musical instruments and any outdoor lawn games. Please fill in the form at the entrance to the church to indicate whether you can bring salad or sweets.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Maeve Keely Barron Reeve who will be baptised on 28th June 2026. Please keep parents, Kayla and Jack and godparents Allan and Quinton in your prayers.

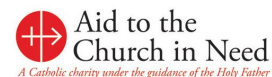
OLHC CHOIR PRACTICE



Wednesday 1st July, 2026—3:30pm
 OLHC Nanango.
 Everyone welcome.

ABOUT AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN)

Aid to the Church in Need is the only international Catholic charity dedicated to the service of suffering Christians wherever they are persecuted, oppressed or in pastoral need. Founded in 1947, ACN is a pontifical foundation and provides vital aid for pastoral projects, religious education, and emergency relief in areas affected by conflict and poverty. For many years we have partnered with parishes to share news of our work in bulletins to let parishioners know about these projects. ACN operates solely on benefactor donations, with no funding from Church or State. Learn more on our website: www.aidtochurch.org
 Thank you once again for your support.



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.