



# BRISBANE ORATORY IN FORMATION PARISH OF ANNERLEY EKIBIN

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A [OF] &  
Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost [EF]: 16th/17th September, 2017

Readings for next Sunday  
23rd/24th September, 2017

1st: *Sirach 27: 30-28: 7*  
2nd: *Romans 14: 7-9*  
Gospel: *Matthew 18: 21-35*

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Parish Priest : Fr Andrew Wise

#### Parish Team

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Br Shawn Murphy

Br Tyson King

Br Conor Power

Br Matthew Buckley

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*From the Parish Priest*

*Dear Parishioners,*

I enjoyed a marvellous day last Sunday as I offered Mass and celebrated the 30th Anniversary of my ordination in the hall with so many of you being present for the occasion. I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks for the many cards, gifts, prayers and good wishes I have received. I am very grateful - Thank you.

Please take a moment to read the important notices below. The final part of Archbishop Coleridge's letter on marriage appears on *Page 2*.

*Fr Andrew Wise*

### Annerley Ekibin Parish - Brisbane Oratory in Formation

#### Catholic Enquiry Group



A new **Catholic Enquiry Group** is being formed for the Parish and Oratory for adults who wish to enquire and prepare to be received into the Church and become a Catholic. A formation team is being brought together to lead this new group. If you discern a call to become a Catholic and would like more information, please contact Fr Wise at Parish Office on 3848 1107 or just turn up for the first meeting which will be at the **Parish Office on Tuesday, 26th September from 7:30pm to 8:45pm.**

*...that all may be one in Christ Jesus. Galatians 3: 28*

#### Please Note

For Monday 25th September only, confessions will be between 6:30pm and 6:50pm and then continue after the conclusion of the 7:00pm Mass.

#### Secular Oratory

Regular sessions of prayer, formation and fellowship for laypeople are the backbone of Oratorian work. Beginning in October, the Fathers of the Brisbane Oratory in Formation will begin monthly evening sessions of *Secular Oratory* for men and women aged 18+.



The sessions will include a short sermon, meditation, prayer and time for discussion - all centred on growth in the Christian life. **Secular Oratory begins at 7:30pm in Mary Immaculate church and goes for an hour.** The dates for the next few months are:

- 12th October (Men's Oratory), 7th November (Women's Oratory),
- 14th December (Men's Oratory), 6th February (Women's Oratory).

#### An hour of your time please...

Please be generous in offering your time to keep God's house clean. At present we have only 2 people cleaning Mary Immaculate Church on the first Saturday of the month, 2 on the second, 4 on the third (though this may change in Jan), 2 on the fourth, and a family of 6 on the fifth Saturday. So you can see we need a lot more help. "Many hands make light work" so with at least 6 on each cleaning roster, it would only take about an hour. Please call or text Teresa on 0413 763 256 or email the parish office if you can help. God will bless you for it.



## PARISH DATE CLAIMERS

Friday 13th October

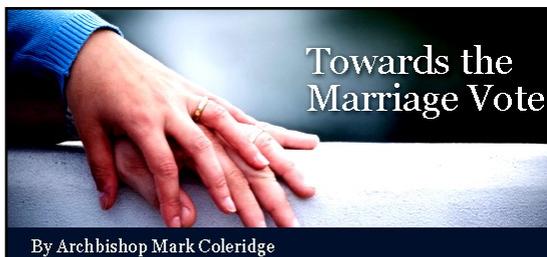
**Elizabethan Social Club Bus Trip to Vineyard & Lavender Farm, Boonah.** Morning tea & lunch included: \$55. Please contact Philomena on 3349 2809 or Joan on 3848 3251. All welcome.

Monday 13th November

**Josephites Associates Meeting** at Majellan House. Mass at 10:00am, followed by morning tea. Please phone Jay on 3848 8923 or Claire on 3848 3996 for further information.

Saturday 21st October

**Baptism Preparation for Parents** at 9:00am in the Music Room (under MI church). Please contact the Parish Office to book.



## Reflection (Continued from last week)

### Is marriage only about two individuals?

Marriage has always been regarded as essentially social, binding families together in new configurations and serving as the basic cell in constructing a human society which has a future. Marriage is a social institution. That's why it's important to speak of the common good when speaking of marriage; it's also why same-sex marriage ideology focuses much more on supposed individual rights than on the common good.

### Do gender and biology matter?

Same-sex marriage ideology says that gender difference is a social construct and that it doesn't matter for marriage. It also says that the body, or biology, is of no final significance. This is linked to a denial of "nature" – to a sense that anything may be "natural" or "unnatural". It implies a refusal to accept that there are any "givens" and an insistence that autonomous individuals can make of themselves what they will.

### Has humanity got marriage wrong until recently?

Same-sex marriage ideology is a dramatic form of the Western myth of progress which the facts of history have never confirmed. It seems arrogant or ignorant to claim that all cultures through the millennia have been wrong on this fundamental point. Not that every society has got marriage right in every way. But societies have agreed that marriage is between a man and a woman. To disregard this time-tested, cross-cultural wisdom is to succumb to the amnesia which is one of our cultural wounds.

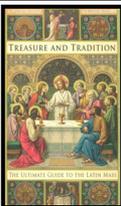
### Will the non-Western world eventually catch up with the West?

Non-Western cultures are often perplexed by the push for same-sex marriage in the West, but this isn't necessarily a sign that they are backward or less civilised – even though the West tends to think that the rest of the world, if it isn't like the West, either should be or will be eventually. It may well be that non-Western cultures will help preserve for humanity values which were once fundamental to Western cultures but have been eroded or abandoned.

### Are those who don't favour same-sex marriage homophobic and bigoted?

It's possible to oppose same-sex marriage in ways that are respectful and open-minded. But in an ideologically conditioned world of "all or nothing" or "black and white," those who oppose same-sex marriage are often denigrated in an attempt to discredit or silence them. There's a violence in this, which is resistant to the truthful debate we need.

A former Federal minister once claimed that truth counts for little in Australian politics. That may be so. But truth surely counts for much when a society and its political leaders are making decisions about something as fundamentally important as marriage. That's why the claims made by those pushing for same-sex marriage are an unreliable basis for a decision which is much more than political. This debate is about the meaning of marriage, and that's why it's important that everyone have their say in the postal vote. I'll be voting No, not because I wish ill of any kind on those in same-sex unions who have the same need for love and the same right to happiness as anyone else. I'll be voting No because I think it's the only way available of affirming values which are fundamental to true human flourishing and of guarding against unwanted consequences in the long term. A No vote may seem negative but, in a debate where things have rarely been what they seem, No is Yes and Yes is No.



### We still have *Treasure and Tradition* books at the Parish Office awaiting collection.

If you recently placed an order, please collect your book/s during the coming week (Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 4:30pm) or phone Shirley on 3848 1107 to arrange an alternative.

If you have not ordered a copy of this beautiful book, but would like one, we now have several more copies available for sale. Please phone the Parish Office as above to reserve your copy.

### WE PRAY FOR

**Those who are recently deceased:** Peter GAFFNEY, Michael McCORMACK, Robert KANE, Andrew CHRISTIE, Mary & Anthony McKINLAY (Ireland), Beryl ROBERTSON, Delma COWLEY and Stephanie McClARTY.

### Those who are sick:

Bob GILLESPIE, Luke ADENEY, Baby CHARLIE, Ksenia BORODIN, Rex BOWEN, Joan BRAMMER, Peter BROPHY, John BROPHY, Shannon EMSLIE, Jane FARRELL, Bryan FITZPATRICK, Joan FLEW, Anne FRANETTOVICH, Gwen GAIR, Vilma GHOUSE, Bronte GREER, Marlene JOHNSTON, Marie MITCHELL, Valerie ORTON, Mila PICKARD, Ron ROFE, Joan ROONEY, Rosa Maria SANTOS, Anthony TONKIN, Matt VASIL, Charlie WINTER, Josephine & Bill WRIGHT and Matthew ZEMEK.

All the faithful departed.



**Leave Your Legacy:** Are you wondering how you can make a lasting gift to your community? By leaving a charitable gift in your Will to **The Brisbane Oratory in Formation** and/or **Annerley Ekibin Parish** you can make a meaningful and profound gift to our future church. To find out how please contact the parish office or go to: <https://catholicfoundation.org.au/articles/donate-perpetual-fund/>, choose 'designation' and select Annerley Ekibin Parish and/or Brisbane Oratory in Formation.

## Rosters for next week

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#### MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sat (SJF) 5:30pm Barbara Nicolaides

Sun (MI) 7.30am Judy Harris, Marie Melski

Sun (SJF) 8:30am Vince Kartelo

Sun (MI) 5.00pm John Butterworth

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sat (SJF) 5:30pm: Bert Jacobs, John Lesina, Prem Nair

Sun (MI) 7:30am: Bertha Clark, Joan Coghlan, Paul Coghlan,  
Charles Grugan, Kathleen Grugan

Sun (SJF) 8:30am: Peter Menagh

#### COUNTERS

Monday, 18th September, 2017

Pat Brophy, Bernie O'Hara

#### CHURCH CARE

Sacristy (SEC) Maria Monro

Sanctuary & Sacristy (MI) Mabel Saah

Laundry (MI) Mabel Saah

### ANGELORUM COLLEGE NEWS

- Angelorum College is now taking enrolments for 2018, please contact Lucy Robinson: [lucy.robinson@angelorum.qld.edu.au](mailto:lucy.robinson@angelorum.qld.edu.au).
- Angelorum College is now taking applications for the College Principal position for 2018. Please apply to: [lucy.robinson@angelorum.qld.edu.au](mailto:lucy.robinson@angelorum.qld.edu.au)
- Fundraising Bush Dance - coming up on the 21st October at 6pm. Entry is \$30 Single, \$50 Couple, \$70 Family, and includes a sausage sizzle and 1 drink. Cloud 9 is providing entertainment. A raffle will be drawn on the evening of the Bush Dance, for cash prizes - \$1000 - 1st, \$500 - 2nd, and \$100 - 3rd. Tickets cost \$5 each, or 4 for \$15. All Dance and raffle tickets can be purchased through Nicole King, or Kate Hoey, and can also be purchased via [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com).

### PLEASE NOTE :

**No Weekday Masses are omitted this week**

### RECENT MASS INTENTION

**Friday, 15th September, Private:** In thanksgiving for Fr Wise's 30th Anniversary of priesthood & for special intentions, from Anita & Dolores Lightbody

#### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, 16th September, Private:** For the repose of the soul of Fr Christopher Schick, recently deceased  
**8:15am Mass at MI:** For a very special intention  
**5:30pm Vigil at SJF:** For the People of the Parish: *Pro populo*

**Sunday, 17th September, 7:30am Mass at MI:** For all Holy Souls in purgatory, especially Lovro and Anastazia Pekcec

**8:30am Mass at SJF:**

For the Pope and the Bishops

**9:00am Mass at MI:** For all Holy Souls in purgatory, especially those with no one to pray for them

**Monday, 18th September, 6:00am Mass at SE:**

For the repose of the soul of Tereza Ferenc, recently deceased

**Tuesday, 19th September, 6:00am Mass at SE:**

For the repose of the soul of Peter Chuong Le

**9:00am Mass at MI:** For the Legion of Mary Mystical Rose Praesidium; for the repose of the souls of family members & friends of Janica Ana Letec & for all old souls in purgatory

## Parish Diary & Mass Times: 18th –24th September

### Monday 18th September

6:00am Mass [OF+] SE

7:00pm Mass [EF] MI

### Tuesday 19th September

6:00am Mass [OF+] SE

7:00am Mass [EF] MI

9:00am Mass [OF+] MI

### Wednesday 20th September

6:30am Mass [OF] SJF

9:00am Mass [EF] MI

### Thursday 21st September

6:00am Mass [OF+] SE

7:00am Mass [OF+] MI

9:00am Mass [EF] MI

### Friday 22nd September

6:30am Mass [OF] SE

9:00am Mass [EF] MI

7:30pm Holy Hour MI

### Saturday 23rd September

8:15am Mass [EF] MI

### Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30pm Vigil [OF+] MI

5:30pm Vigil [OF] SJF

### Sunday 24th September

7:30am Mass [OF] MI

8:30am Mass [OF] SJF

9:00am Mass [EF] MI

5:00pm Mass [OF+] MI

OF = Ordinary Form | OF+ = *Ad orientem* | EF = Extraordinary Form]

MI = Mary Immaculate SE = St Elizabeth's SJF = St John Fisher

### CONFESSION TIMES:

**Mon 6:45pm (MI)**

**Wed 9:40am - 10:00am (MI)**

**Thu 9:40am - 10:00am (MI)**

**Fri 9:40am - 10:00am (MI)**

**Fri 7:30pm - 8:30pm (During Holy Hour)**

**Sat 7:15am - 8:00am (MI)**

**Sat 4:45pm - 5:15pm (MI)**

**Sat 5:15pm by request (SJF)**

**Sun During 9:00am Mass where possible (MI)**

The Angelus and the Rosary are prayed half an hour before the early Masses, Monday to Friday, at SE & SJF.

\* All night Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Thursday at SE beginning at 6:00pm and ending at 6:45am on Fridays.

\* Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Saturdays from 7:15am - 8:00am at MI Church.

### St Gregory's Latin Mass Community:

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost, Wilston 7:30am

### Wednesday, 20th September, 6:30am Mass at SJF:

For Grace Cooke, intentions

**9:00am Mass at MI:** For Maurice Chappuis, for his health

### Thursday, 21st September, 6:00am Mass at SE:

For the Benefactors of the Brisbane Oratory in Formation, living and deceased

**9:00am Mass at MI:** For Delma Cowley, recently deceased

### Friday, 22nd September, 6:30am Mass at SE:

For the intentions of the donor

### Saturday, 23rd September, Private:

In honour of Saint Padre Pio

**5:30pm Vigil at MI:** For the People of the Parish: *Pro populo*

### Sunday, 24th September, 7:30am Mass at St Columba's,

**Wilston:** For the intentions of the donor

**8:30am Mass at SJF:** For the repose of the soul of

Sydney Dawson Farrah, 9th anniversary of death (20th August)

**5:00pm Mass at MI:** For the repose of the soul of

Michael McCormack, recently deceased

**MASS READINGS**

**First Reading:** *Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7*

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

*The Word of the Lord*

**Response: Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm 102**  
*(Said by all)*

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion.

His wrath will come to an end;  
he will not be angry for ever.  
He does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repay us according to our faults.

For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him.  
As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.

**Second Reading:** *Romans 14:7-9*

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

*The Word of the Lord*

**Response: Thanks be to God**

**Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!**

**Gospel:** *Matthew 18:21-35*

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum."

And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me," he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said, "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**Memorial Acclamation: Number Two**

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Monday night Frassati talk at the Marymac Centre, 8pm on September 18th: Secular humanism & the City of God.  
*Steven Glover*



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**P.O. Box 3131, Tarragindi. 4121.**

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