

# ALL SAINTS PARISH ALBANY CREEK



*Centred on Jesus and guided by the Holy Spirit, All Saints is a vibrant, inclusive and welcoming community of missionary disciples, embracing shared leadership, to serve God and others*



## 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 11 FEBRUARY 2024

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### MASS Times

**Saturday: 5.00pm**

**Sunday: 7.00am & 9.00am**

**Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri: 9.00am**

**Reconciliation Sat 4.30-4.50pm**

**Healing Mass/Anointing Mass -  
1st Wed of each month 9am**

### Let's walk with God.....

Dear friends,

The most painful wounds we carry with us from the past are more wounds of the spirit than of the body. Of these spiritual wounds, the one that causes us most pain is that of a belief that we are insignificant. In this Gospel story, we hear in Jesus' words to the leper, his concern to heal the wound we carry with us from the past.

'Deeply moved, Jesus put out his hand and touched him.' Jesus, the poet of God's compassion, spoke in parables, but also in actions. He healed the sick and freed people from evil, brokenness and rejection. God's mercy was not just a beautiful idea. In Jesus, God is the active champion of the suffering.

Desire is important in life as it gives direction and momentum. The leper knew what he wanted and believed that Jesus had the power to grant it. He came in humility, begging from a kneeling position. Jesus met him with a compassionate response.

The church is again offering us the season of Lent as the practical application of his teachings before us from next Wednesday onwards. Ash Wednesday begins the Christian celebration of Lent. These days are of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to prepare believers for the celebration of Easter.

A part of Lent is the call to quiet and reflection. A call to still ourselves and consider our faith lives. We cease searching and striving for the external markers of success and fulfilment and settle in to listen to what the still, small voice of God is saying in our lives and in our hearts. It is an opportunity to ask ourselves: Am I able to hear the voice of God? Am I able to hear the cry of the poor? A time to allow God to touch us and heal.

Ash Wednesday marks the first day of the 40 days of Lent, in preparation for the great celebration of Christ's Paschal Mystery in the Easter Triduum. The late Henri Numen described Lent as a time to re-focus and to re-enter a place of truth. It is here where we find our identity.

Ash Wednesday is the best way to begin a season, which calls us into self-examination as well as self-denial, into deeper contemplation about the mystery and grace of God's mercy, and towards more radical giving towards those most in need of comfort, sustenance, and hope.

This Ash Wednesday reminds us that we are mortal. It causes us to pause and look at our lives- remember what we are made of, remember where we are going- and encourages us to fully immerse ourselves in the Lenten season.

Blessings,

Joson Antony, MCBS



**Ash Wednesday Mass Times at All Saints Church:**

**Wednesday, 14 February 9am—Year 3-6  
Students will be in attendance. All welcome.**

**Wednesday, 14 February 6pm— All welcome.**


## COMING UP AT ALL SAINTS

<b>FAMILY MASS:</b>	February 11, 9.00am
<b>SACRAMENTAL INFO SESSION:</b>	February 11, after 9.00am Mass
<b>INTERCESSORY PRAYER:</b>	February 12, 9.30am
<b>ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING:</b>	February 12, 1.30pm
<b>ASH WEDNESDAY:</b>	February 14, 9am & 6pm Mass
<b>LENTEN PROGRAM STARTS:</b>	February 14, after 9.00am Mass
<b>SACRAMENTAL INFO SESSION:</b>	February 14, after 9.00am Mass
<b>MEDITATION:</b>	February 15, 9.30am
<b>MLT MEETING:</b>	February 15, 5.30pm
<b>PLAYGROUP:</b>	February 16, 10-11.30am
<b>LENTEN RETREAT:</b>	February 17, 9.00am-12.30pm
<b>+TIM CELEBRATING MASS:</b>	February 17, 5.00pm
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY:</b>	February 18, 9am Mass
<b>SACRAMENTAL INFO SESSION:</b>	February 21, 8.00am
<b>THE WELL:</b>	February 23, 5.30pm
<b>WORKING BEE:</b>	February 24, 7.45am
<b>ALL SAINTS SOCIAL:</b>	February 24, 2.30-4.30pm
<b>YOUTH GROUP:</b>	February 24, 5.00pm Mass
<b>5G &amp; 1Y CLASS MASS:</b>	February 28, 9.00am
<b>FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING:</b>	February 28, 7.00pm
<b>SACRAMENTAL INFO SESSION:</b>	February 28, 7.00pm
<b>WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:</b>	March 1, 10.00am
<b>HEALING MASS:</b>	March 6, 9.00am
<b>4B &amp; 2Y CLASS MASS:</b>	March 13, 9.00am
<b>2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION:</b>	March 18, 6.30pm

**Volunteers Needed** **CALLING ALL WELCOMERS, READERS & COMMUNION MINISTERS!**

Our current roster finishes 24 March. We are in the process of planning the next roster. If you could please contact the parish office via email with your availability between **6 April 2024 & 28 July 2024** or complete the sign up sheets when you are next at Mass. If you are currently not on the roster but can help out in any way please reach out!

**Looking for volunteers:** We are looking for leaders to co-ordinate Playgroup on Fridays. We would like to set up a weekly roster so it wouldn't need to be the same person every week. You would be responsible for setting up before playgroup starts and ensuring the room is left neat and tidy at the end of the day. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.




**Piety Stall:** Come and have a look. We have some **NEW STOCK!** Lots of cards, gifts & more! If there is something you are chasing please ask and we will do our best to source it for you.

**CAN YOU VOLUNTEER:** We are looking for more volunteers to assist in the stall on weekends. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office. No experience or degree required.




Looking to help out in some way? We are looking for more people to help assist Fr Joson with our Baptism families on Baptism Weekends at the 5pm and 9am Masses. Could you assist on the 1st or 3rd weekend of the month? Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested!



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

- Friday, 1 March
- St Dymrna's, Aspley
- 10am, followed by morning tea
- All welcome: invite friends
- RSVP Kaye 3264 3050 (for catering)



**A call out to all men in our Parish—MenConnect**

Men Alive is how we men can connect to God, so we now have Men Connect to show you how you can connect to God, know more about God, and find out what he has in plan for us, for you.

When: Every Wednesday 7.30pm  
 Where: The Parish Centre.  
 Bring: Bible, pen, notebook  
 Enjoy: A cuppa and a biscuit

For more information contact Oriano: 0414 562 148



**All Saints Four Pillars of Missionary Discipleship**

The Church teaches that there are 4 ways we live and grow as disciples:

1. **WORD**-Listening to God's Word & Church teachings
2. **WORSHIP**-Worshipping by coming to Mass
3. **WELCOME** -Being with other people in our parish community
4. **WITNESS**- Witnessing through service with the community

All of these take place at Mass and regular Mass attendance is at the heart of being a missionary disciple.  
*We are so glad to be on this journey with you!*

**PIETÀ Lenten Program 2024**  
 Grab your book, notebook and pen and join us on Ash Wednesday for our Lenten Program! It will start after the 9am Ash Wednesday Mass, 14 February. We look forward to seeing you.



**Books available at the Piety Stall or Parish Office till sold out!**

**COME AND JOIN US**

**Remember to bring your backpacks or bags to Family Mass on Sunday for a special blessing!**



**New in 2024! Fridays 10-11.30am**

*All Saints Parish Playgroup*

**0-5 years**

A Playgroup is a group of parents/grandparents/caregivers who meet regularly with their not-yet-at-school children (babies, toddlers, pre-schoolers) for play and social interaction. Parents and caregivers work together to offer fun opportunities for learning through play and building community.

All Saints Parish Playgroup  
 4 Fahey's Road East  
 Albany Creek 4035  
 (in OSHC building)  
 Enquiries to: [allsaintsparishkids@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsparishkids@gmail.com)




**Children's Liturgy is back next Sunday, 18 February!**

Please join us for hospitality after all Masses this weekend. If you'd like to bring a plate to share we'd love your support.



Do you have any toys you could donate for children aged 6 months to 2 years? Our playgroup would love them! Please drop off at the Parish Office or bring along to playgroup!





**PLEASE RSVP ASAP FOR CATERING PURPOSES!**

*Lenten Retreat*  
Facilitated by  
**BISHOP TIM NORTON SVD**

SATURDAY | **17** | 9AM-12.30PM  
FEBRUARY 2024

FOLLOWED BY A LIGHT LUNCH  
PLEASE RSVP TO THE PARISH OFFICE

+Tim is also celebrating 5pm Mass with us

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*You're Invited!*

All Saints Parish Albany Creek  
Sacramental Information Sessions 2024

Sun	Feb 11	10.15am	(after 9am Family Mass)
Wed	Feb 14	10.15am	(after 9am Ash Wed Mass)
Wed	Feb 21	8.00am	(after school drop off)
Wed	Feb 28	7.00pm	(evening option)

**Confirmation**  
For children who:

- are baptised into the Catholic Church
- turn 8 before 30 June in 2024 (or earlier)

**Eucharist**  
For children who:

- were confirmed in 2023 (or earlier)

Welcome In the Parish Centre  
No need to book - just come!

Contact Parish Office if you require more information:  
albanyck@bne.catholic.net.au

**Caritas AUSTRALIA** Project Compassion  
Sunday 10 & 11 February

Please take home a Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **for all future generations**. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **for all future generations**.



You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.




**PROJECT COMPASSION**  
FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS

**A vocation view: 6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Today's Gospel says that: "Jesus was moved with pity when He saw a leper". Are you moved with love or pity when you see the outcast of today's society? Who will come forward to minister Christ today? Scan the QR code to find out more, or call 1300 133 544 [www.vocationbrisbane.com](http://www.vocationbrisbane.com)

**LENT 2024 WITH THE CATHOLIC GUY, BRUCE DOWNES**

Lent is a time when we can grow closer to God and prepare our hearts for the true meaning of Easter. Be inspired. Be refreshed. Be renewed!

For 40 days you will receive a short, practical and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you make this Lenten journey more powerful and prayerful. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: <https://BruceDownes.org/Lent>  
Go to [BruceDownes.org](https://BruceDownes.org) for more information


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**Yarning Circle**

It is an important time to reflect on how generations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples have been affected, and will continue to be affected, by the past policies of the Australian Government and the ongoing impacts of this on the mental health and wellbeing of Indigenous Australians.



On 13 February 2008, Prime Minister Kevin Rudd delivered the National Apology to Australia's Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples for the injustices of past government policies, particularly to the Stolen Generations.

**All Saints Parish Finance Council**

Our deepest gratitude to so many parishioners who are contributing financially to support our parish mission.

There are many ways to contribute:


- Weekly as an Envelope or Cash Giver** – the weekend Mass collection plate
- Our \$10 Tap N Go** box in the Church
- The Parish Giving App** is set-up for parishioners to electronically connect to the parish for regular and/or one-off giving. To download the App on to your mobile phone or device, <http://www.allsaintsparish.com.au/parishgiving.htm>
- Direct Debit:** You are welcome to do a direct transfer to our parish bank account:  
**PLEASE NOTE NEW ACCOUNT NUMBER IF YOU COULD PLEASE USE BSB 064786; Acc No. 100012687 -**  
Ref your name.

The Parish Office can organise monthly, fortnightly or weekly – Direct Debit or Credit Card transfers (your contributions are withdrawn automatically)

**Once again a huge thank you for your continued support.**  
All Saints Parish Finance Council



**Dear Jesus, we pray for the sick members of our parish family:**  
*Fr Ron, Carmelina V, Paula G, Jo-Ellen S, Jen H, Elizabeth L, Shirley S, Eva K, Jordan M, Carissa, Wendy R, Susan B.*  
**We pray for the recently deceased Laurie Scott, Costantina Botrugno**  
**and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Haynes, Gerard Cain, Tony Bonnici.**  
May they rest in peace.



Prayer requests will be published for two weeks only as we have many requests. If you are submitting a Holy Mass Offering envelope, please indicate whether you would like your intention published in the newsletter.

**Readings for Sunday**

**Entrance Antiphon:**

*Be my protector, O God,  
a mighty stronghold to save me.  
For you are my rock, my stronghold!  
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.*

**First Reading:** Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

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

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia, alleluia!*

*A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people. Alleluia.*

**Gospel:** Mark 1:40-45

**WEEKEND ROSTERS**

	Saturday 5.00pm	Sunday 7.00am	Sunday 9.00am
<b>10-11 FEBRUARY 2024</b>			
<b>CM</b>	Donna B-P Tim C-C Geraldine B-C	Brooke M-P Cheryl G-C Anna W-C <b>C= Cup</b> <b>P= Plate</b>	Jess M-P Lyn M-P Joan T-C Gina V-C Irene N-C
<b>R</b>	Suellen C Vicki O	Donna J Margaret R	Family Mass
<b>W/M</b>	Simon M Cindy C	Kaye F	Narelle B Trish T

**Church Cleaning:** Michelle M, Judith A

**17-18 FEBRUARY 2024**

<b>CM</b>	Simon M-P Tim C—C Suellen C— C	Kaye F—P Anna W-C Cheryl G-C <b>C= Cup</b> <b>P= Plate</b>	Marie-Ann V-P Amrita M-P Tony D-C Brian W-C Majella B-C
<b>R</b>	John B Peter G	Gary C Susan P	Gina V Mike W
<b>W/M</b>	Chris H Paul H	John D	Patrice M Ross M

**Church Cleaning:** Sue H, Laurie H, Michelle & Corey K & Family



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need access to the newsletter? You are also able to  
view our weekly newsletter on our website:  
<https://www.allsaintsparish.com.au/>

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from GOD with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all. *'For it is to such as there that the kingdom of God belongs'* - (Mark 10:14).  
The privacy of all individuals is important to All Saints Parish and we are committed to protecting all personal information we collect and hold. Our Privacy Policy is available at ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE - <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/privacy-policy/>

**BIBLE JOTTINGS**

Fasting is mentioned over 70 times throughout Scripture. Both the Old and New Testaments teach the value of fasting, that is abstaining from food or drink in order to focus on prayer and seeking God's will. Moses and Jesus fasted. Exodus 34:28: "So he was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights. He neither ate bread nor drank water. And he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments." After his Baptism, Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the wilderness. Matt: 4:2: "He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished." Luke 4:2 also speaks of this. The season of Lent is now upon us, a time of preparation for the celebration of Easter and, in the words of an Australian Bishop, it is a time of grace and mercy, commemorated as a time for conversion, repentance and renewal, a journey where we are drawn more deeply into the mystery of life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Adult Catholics are obliged to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The Australian Catholic Bishops, in 1985, decreed that Fridays throughout the year, including Lent, are not obligatory days of abstinence from meat provided an alternative form of penance is practised. The law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following: (a) prayer – for example, attending Mass, family prayer, a visit to a church or chapel, reading the Bible, making the Stations of the Cross, praying the Rosary; (b) self-denial – not eating meat, not eating sweets or dessert, giving up entertainment to spend time with the family, limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country; (c) helping others – for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened.

**Are you new to the Parish?**  
We warmly welcome you and your family. A Special Welcome to Families with Children. If you have recently moved into this area and would like to join with the parish, we would like to meet you. Please contact the parish office/email us/ speak to one of us. **Thank You!**

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