

# 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

16TH JULY, 2023

Readings: Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23

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and Bli Bli*

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## *What can the parable about seeds and roots teach us about the kingdom of God?*

Like the rabbis of his time, Jesus very frequently used - short stories and images taken from everyday life - to convey hidden truths about the kingdom of God. Like a skilful artist, he sketched memorable pictures with short and simple words. **A good image can speak more loudly and clearly than many words.** Jesus used the ordinary everyday illustrations of life and nature to point to another order of reality - hidden, yet visible to those who had "eyes to see" and "ears to hear". He communicated with vivid illustrations which captured the imaginations of his audience more powerfully than any abstract presentation could. **His parables are like buried treasure** waiting to be discovered (Matthew 13:44).

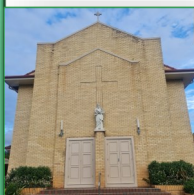
Any farmer will attest to the importance of good soil for supplying nutrients for growth. And how does a plant get the necessary food and water it needs except by its roots? The Scriptures frequently use the image of fruit-bearing plants or trees to convey the principle of spiritual life and death. **Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord**, whose trust is in the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, **for it does not cease to bear fruit** (Jeremiah 17:7-8; see also Psalm 1:3)

Jesus' parable of the sower is aimed at the hearers of his word. There are different ways of accepting God's word and they produce different kinds of fruit accordingly. **There is the prejudiced hearer** who has a shut mind. Such a person is unteachable and blind to what he or she doesn't want to hear. **Then there is the shallow hearer.** He or she fails to think things out or think them through; they lack depth. They may initially respond with an emotional reaction; but when it wears off their mind wanders to something else.

**Another type of hearer is the person who has many interests or cares**, but who lacks the ability to hear or comprehend what is truly important. Such a person is too busy to pray or too preoccupied to study and meditate on God's word. **Then there is the one whose mind is open.** Such a person is at all times willing to listen and to learn. He or she is never too proud or too busy to learn. They listen in order to understand. God gives grace to those who hunger for his word that they may understand his will and have the strength to live according to it.

Jesus’ parables will enlighten us if we approach them with an open mind and heart, ready to let them challenge us. If we approach them with the conviction that we already know the answer, then we, too, may look but not see, listen but not understand. **God's word can only take root in a receptive heart** that is ready to believe and willing to submit.

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*St Joseph’s Church  
P.O. Box 569  
177 Currie Street  
Nambour*

### *St. Joseph’s Parish Mass Times*

*Monday 8:00am , Wednesday 10:00am, Friday 8:00am,  
Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 8:00am*

### *Reconciliation*

*Wednesday 9:30, Saturday 4:30pm*

*St John Bosco Church Kenilworth Mass Time  
Third Sunday of the month 10:00am*

*St Augustine’s Church Palmwoods Mass Time  
Third Sunday of the Month 5:30pm*



*St John Bosco Church  
21 Anne Street  
Kenilworth*

**THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES**

**Saturday 15 July**

9:00am The Psalms and the Liturgy of the Hours in Ryan Room  
4:30pm Reconciliation  
6:00pm Mass  
*Reclaim Guest Speaker David Kruse*

**Sunday 16 July**

*15th Sunday in Ordinary time*

8:00am Mass @ St Joseph's  
*Reclaim Guest Speaker David Kruse*  
10:00am Mass @ St John Bosco Kenilworth  
5:30pm Mass @ Palmwoods

**Monday 17 July**

8:00am Mass

**Wednesday 19 July**

9:30am Reconciliation  
10:00am Mass  
10:30am Cenacle of the Marion Movement of Priest

**Thursday 20 July**

6:00pm Reclaim event Courtyard/Church  
7:00pm Confirmation Parent information session in Ryan Room

**Friday 21 July**

8:00am Mass  
10:30am Funeral Mass  
*The late Maria Saloma Kruger*

**Saturday 22 July**

9:30am Reclaim event Courtyard/Church  
4:30pm Reconciliation  
6:00pm Mass  
7:00pm Senior Youth gathering

**Sunday 23 July**

*16th Sunday in Ordinary time*

*Catholic Education Week commences*

8:00am Mass @ St Joseph's

Please pray for the Sick and needy and all the sick and needy and their families including Mufide Mary, Ali & Fevziye Rende, Lucy O'Driscoll, Rodney Juratowitch, Lincoln Marks, Tracey Langford, Ema -Lee Rowe (Langford), Clare Smith, Tilly Ellard, Kathleen D'Rozario, families of Parishioners, and particularly all those affected by any virus, locally and globally, and their loved ones, and also those remaining in the Parish Journal for the Sick.



The Prayer petition book is present at masses where the larger list of names of the sick, seriously ill and residential people are placed. The petitions will be updated regularly and present at all masses.

Mass on Demand is available 24/7 on <https://www.youtube.com/user/cathnews>. Please advise the Parish office when you or your loved ones are well enough to be removed from the prayers.

Please pray for those who are seriously ill or suffering in hospital including Noeline Herdy, Grant Allen (Kenilworth), Gwenda Mason NZ, (Tracey Langford's mother), Olivia McNamee (12 yr old), Tony Dickson (Lloyd Bakers cousin), Juanita Formann-Ferrari, Jim McLeod, Tom Wilson, Linda Skinner, Michael & Cathy Crust, Maree Kruger, Val Chatterton, Baby Koa Pegler, Bruce Power, Marie Gannon, along with all those who work and serve in hospitals, in any capacity.

Please pray for all Parishioners & Friends in residential or home care and those who care for them including Margaret Madden, George Kennedy, Cecily Toomey (nee Youngman), Juanita Ferrari, Angela Carroll, Fr Morrie Clarke, Br Henk Bosman MSC.

Please pray for the suffering souls in Purgatory, especially deceased relatives and friends.

**Anniversaries:**

Remember in your prayers Frank Ware 13/7, John Keegan 23/07, Craig Mitchell 28/6/22, and all those whose Anniversary occurs at this time and we pray for all their families and loved ones.

**Deceased:**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the recently departed especially Maria Saloma Kruger (Mary-Anne, Leanne, Kathy & siblings mother), Pat Holdsworth, Shannon Chilly, Keria Paige Dascoli. Please also pray for loved ones in their grieving.

**Funeral Notice:** On behalf of Fr Odinaka and the family of the late Maria Saloma Kruger, Parishioners and friends are invited to Maria's Funeral Mass which will be held on Friday 21st July, 2023 at 10:30am at St Joseph's Catholic Church in Nambour.

**PARISH WEEKLY DIARY**

**Sundays:**

6:00am TV Mass at Home ch10

**Tuesdays:**

9:15am Tai Chi  
Ryan Room  
Enquiries 0427 690 072

**Fridays:**

6:00pm RICA - Ryan Room

**ST JOHN BOSCO CHURCH KENILWORTH**

**Thursdays:**

9:30am Christian Meditation

**Sundays:**

9:30am Lay Led Liturgy of the word with Communion

**Third Sundays:**

10:00am Mass (23/7 this month)




**SATURDAY NIGHTS**  
7PM-8:30PM  
(FOLLOWING 6PM MASS)

**DINNER - GAMES FELLOWSHIP**

**ST JOSEPHS PARISH CENTRE**

**TERM 3 DATES**  
JULY 22, AUGUST 5,  
AUGUST 26, SEPTEMBER 9

CONTACT TIGI AT [TIGIJOHNSON22@GMAIL.COM](mailto:tigijohnson22@gmail.com) FOR MORE INFO

**IMPACT YOUTH**

Are you in high-school and looking for something to do on a Saturday night? Impact youth is a gathering of high-school student from schools across the Sunny Coast. We meet every second Saturday during the school term for dinner, games and activities.

We meet from 7pm-8:30pm in St Joseph's Parish Community Centre following 6pm mass We would love you see you there!

For more information, contact Tigi at [tigijohnson22@gmail.com](mailto:tigijohnson22@gmail.com)

**THANKING YOU:**

*Fr Morries computer lives again.* Thank you to *Joe & April Kennedy* for donating a second hand PC, screen, keyboard and mouse for Fr Morrie. And thank you to *Mark Warnick* for delivery to Fr Morrie.

*Also thank you* to Fr Odinaka and Parishioners for your friendship and prayers over the years from **Peggy Caton**. Peggy now resides in Buderim and no longer has a vehicle so she won't be at Masses very often and will miss you all dearly.



# RECLAIMING OUR CHURCH

## Nambour Parish Event

Thursday, July 20th  
6pm refreshments for a  
7pm start  
Pizza and Beer!

or  
Saturday, July 22nd  
9:30am refreshments for  
a 10:00am start  
Coffee and Cake!

Did you know?

11,000 people identify as Catholics within our parish boundary. Yet, fewer and fewer are involved in parish life in any way.

We have a plan, but we need your help!

Come to the session that best suits you:  
Thursday Evening or Saturday Morning

"The history of evangelisation began with the Lord's own passionate desire to call and enter into friendly dialogue with everyone, just as they are"  
- Pope Francis



### Altar Server Ministry

Blessings to those who have received the Sacrament of First Eucharist at St Joseph's. You may have noticed the Altar Servers who play an important role in assisting Father Odinaka and the people at weekend Masses. Fr Odinaka is extending an invitation to you to join the Altar Server Ministry, your Ministry. I will have enrolment forms available at both Masses this weekend. There will be a training session in the church at 9.15 am on Sunday 30 July. Thank you.

Maureen  
Coordinator, Altar Server Ministry

### INTEREST July 16, 2023 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the cares of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit." - Matthew 13:22

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in earthly activities that you have no time for God? Gratitude and generosity are virtues that we should strive to do on a daily basis. Every decision we make either takes us one step closer to God or one step further away. What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week as well.

Accessed on July 7, 2023 from  
[www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections](http://www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections)

### CATHOLIC LEADER MONTH/ JULY \$4.00

- Thousands walk with Jesus on city streets.
- Timor full of faith.
- Archbishop's view - Welcome to 'Time of the Spirit'.
- Tamil refugee wins long battle with help of parish.
- St Peter's hosting Marian coronation exhibition.
- Join youth n fighting for the poor and the planet.
- War against creatio9n must stop.
- Pope Francis' prayer of intention for July.
- Pope Francis explains why we make the sign of the cross.
- Thousands march through CBD for Corpus Christi day.
- Inside Catholic Education – promoting 'distinctive mission and ethos'.
- Precious Blood of the Lamb.
- Blessing the King's Colours
- Hundred step up for their 'dance' down memory lane.
- Bishop Ken Howell ready to take the reins in Toowoomba



### 2023 CONFIRMATION TIMELINE

Parents Information  
Night JULY  
(Thursday 20th – 7pm)

Enrolment Ends  
JULY 22nd/23rd  
Week 1, JULY 29/30th  
Week 2, AUGUST 5/6th  
Week 3, AUGUST 12/13th  
Week 4, AUGUST 19/20th  
Retreat Day, AUGUST 25th 7pm  
Confirmation Celebrated  
AUGUST (Saturday 26th @  
6pm)

### COUNTERS

This week:  
Group 3: M. & B. Barker, L. Richardson, B. Pearce, J. Goggin, J. Bourassa  
Next week:  
Group 4: M. Jackson, B. & M. Barker, T. Leahy, K. Grundy, V. Richmond

### Weekly Giving

July week 2:  
planned giving

Envelopes: \$  
1413.50

Loose:  
\$515.75

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### Parish Ministries & Coordinators

#### Safe Guarding Children & Vulnerable Adults Representative

Marie Lynch.

#### Liturgy Committee

Maureen Murphy.

#### Liturgical Music

Music Ministry

Led by Fred de Waard.

#### Liturgical Art & Environment

Trevor & Judy Smith.

#### Communion to the Sick

Rosanna Tumelty.

#### Rosters

Trevor Smith & Annette Baker.

#### Servers

Maureen Murphy.

#### Children's Liturgy

Jocelyn Lysaght.

#### Sacramental Program

Rosanna Tumelty.

#### Baptism Ministry

Rosanna Tumelty.

#### Ecumenical Ministry

Joan Pobjoy.

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Rosanna Tumelty

& Adrian Eldridge.

#### Helping Hands

Kate Bourassa & Jan Imarisio.

#### Youth Minister

To be confirmed

Contact all Ministry Coordinators  
C/- Parish Office 54411034

### ST JOSEPH'S USUAL MONTHLY DIARY

#### 1st Monday:

- 5:30pm Monday Liturgy Meeting (4th September)

#### 1st Wednesday:

- 10:00am Anointing Mass
- 10:30am Seniors Gathering & M/tea—new Parishioners welcome
- 6:00pm Leadership meetings bi monthly

#### 1st Friday:

- 8:30am—6:00pm 10 Hour Eucharistic Adoration Followed by Benediction concluding at 6:30pm

#### 1st Saturday:

- 8:30am Baptism Preparation
- 11:00am Mass Marion Movement Combined Cenacle SSCoast—all welcome

#### 3rd Sunday:

- 10:00am Mass at Kenilworth
- 5:30pm Mass at Palmwoods

#### Last Monday-bi-monthly

- 5:15pm Helping Hands Next meeting the

#### Last Friday:

- 6:00pm St Joseph's Men's Group



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## REMEMBERING ST JOSEPHS PARISH

Thank you for remembering your Parish in your will.



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Sunshine Linus Inc. presents...  
*Open Day*  
Date: Saturday 5th August,  
2023

Time: 9:00am—3:00pm  
Location: Nambour Uniting Church,  
37 Coronation Ave, Nambour  
Cost: \$10:00 admission  
( includes Morning Tea & Raffle Ticket)  
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