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Sixth Sunday of Easter

9th & 10th May 2026

SECOND WEEK OF FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION MONTH.

Today Jesus reminds us, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." And what are God's commandments? "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself' (Matt 22:37 – 39).

On this second week of Domestic and Family Violence and Prevention Month, we reflect on what it means to truly love. In Australia in 2023 – 2024, a woman died every 8 days at the hands of their partner. The scourge of domestic and family violence all too profoundly reveals the horror when something that began with love, has turned to horror. Against this backdrop, the call to love is deeply necessary, and deeply practical.

1. A God who Heals: In the first reading, Philip goes to a Samaritan town and comes across people who are vulnerable and helpless. Through Philip, these people are healed. It is always God who does the healing, but often through others – in this case, Philip. This has relevance to us all. Whatever hurts we carry, whatever scars we bear, God can heal us, and God often heals us through the love and care of others. For those of us that are hurting, we can bring our pain to Jesus, and for this whole community, we're called to share God's love in such a way that those who are hurt find healing in our community.

2. Together with Jesus: In the second reading, St Peter states that we can 'have some share in the sufferings of Christ. Jesus was "despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces, he was despised, and we held him of no account" (Isa 53:3). Whatever suffering you may have walked through Jesus is with you, walking with you in gentleness and empathy. He calls us all to do the same, to walk with the victim-survivors of abuse. This could mean supporting someone to seek and access help, to listen attentively to victim-survivor when they bravely share their lived experience, and to support organisations such as Centacare. As the hands and feet of God's love, together we can help to prevent domestic and family violence.

3. The Call to Love: Today's Gospel implores us that if we love God, we will obey his commandments. His commandment is to love God and love others. The tragedy of domestic and family violence is that these situations typically began with love. Love is never violent, aggressive or unsafe. To quote St Paul, "love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things" (1 Cor 13:4 – 6). This kind of love can never lead to violence. It is the love we are called to embody as the Church both here in this community, and in every aspect of our own lives.

Conclusion

In this Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month, let us pray for safety, peace and healing for all those who have been and continue to be hurt by domestic and family violence, both physically and emotionally. Let us pray that they will know Christ's presence and that the Church would be active in walking with and supporting victim-survivors. Let us pray for front-line workers and A resource developed by Archdiocesan Ministries for the Domestic and Family Violence Project organisations like Centacare who work in this space, that they would be agents of change, drawing people out of the cycle of abuse and into a life a freedom.

Readings for this week (9th & 10th May)

Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18

In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Gospel Acclamation: John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: John 14:15-21

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.

Readings for next week (16th & 17th May)

The Ascension of the Lord

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 46:2-3, 6-9

**R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 28:19, 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:16-20

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Please pray for our sick brothers and sisters

Leanne Deerain, Jan Dore, John Breckon-Thomas, Carol Stainkey, John & Therese Hagan, Nereza Don, Marie McIlhatton, Rev Geoffrey Reader, Marie Harkin, Fae Eyears, Scott Murphy, David Murchie, Tony Torre, D Wilde, Janet Young, Rosie, Lauraine Ward, Katrina Foster, Moya Mitchell, Michael Gough, Andrew Gough, Liz Murray, Josie Buffalino, Sebastian Randall, John McCormack, Damian McCormack, Jenette Escrit, David Ward, Denice Ward, Holly Anne, Nathan Craze, Heather Neeson, Bernice Mahoney, Bernadette Fitzgerald, Olwin Wendt, Caroline Gee & Janine Monteath.

*We remember and pray for those who have recently died,
Valerie McIntosh (29th April 2026), Her service is to be held at St Mary's 11th of May.*

*and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Mass at Christmas Creek for June

Please join us for Mass on **Sunday 7th June** at 10am for the Feast of the Sacred Heart. There will be a morning tea outside the church following Mass. Please bring a plate to share, and don't forget a chair! Tea and coffee will be provided.

We are looking forward to celebrating with you.

Invitation for New Parish Volunteers

Currently we are looking for new volunteers to help us out at all our churches. We need people to help perform many tasks to assist the existing volunteers so that no one volunteer shoulders too much of the burden.

Tasks include setting up for Mass (Sacristans), assistance with gardening, cleaning the Churches, reading at Mass, Extraordinary Ministry of the Eucharist, visiting the sick and disabled of the parish, membership of the Finance and Pastoral Councils, plus many other duties.

Training for all tasks will be provided if you choose to become involved.. If you are interested, we invite you to come and help our parish community. If you are interested in volunteering please inform Father Tomi or the Parish Office.

Thank you for the generous donation of your time.

Open House Caloundra

This event is free, but they require registration for catering purposes: <https://app.tickets.org.au/DRAU/OHC>

The image shows a promotional poster for an 'Open House' event in Caloundra. The poster features a background image of a modern building with a large 'OPEN HOUSE' sign. Text on the poster includes 'DIVINE RENOVATION in Collaboration with', 'SATURDAY, 6 JUNE 2026', '9:45 am - 4:15 pm (Optional 5 pm Vigil Mass)', and 'Our Lady of the Rosary Parish 61 Edmund St, Shelly Beach QLD'. Below the poster is a photograph of six people (three men and three women) standing together outdoors, smiling.

Guitar Donation

If anybody has a guitar that they are willing to donate could you please come and drop off the guitar at the Parish Office. We greatly appreciate your generosity and support with this.

Celebration of a Centenary.

This year marks 100 years since the O'Reilly family began welcoming visitors to Green Mountains and we would like to celebrate with those of you who have been part of the history of our business. You are warmly invited to join us on the weekend of 23/24 May to celebrate our collective journey.

Story Sharing Session – Saturday 23rd May

On Saturday, 23rd May, you are invited to join family relatives Dr Bill and Fr Leo Coote, along with Bishop William Morris, for a special gathering. During this session, they will recount their personal stories and experiences that have contributed to the rich history of O'Reillys.

Attendees are also encouraged to share their own memories and stories, celebrating the legacy that has shaped O'Reillys over the past century. Drinks and nibbles will be provided by the family.

Pentecost Mass – Sunday 24th May

A second gathering will take place on Sunday, 24th May. On this day, a special Pentecost Mass will be celebrated at 10:30am, officiated by Fr Leo Coote, Bishop William Morris, and Fr Bernie Gallagher. Following the Mass, everyone is warmly invited to morning tea, hosted by the family. This will provide an opportunity to further enjoy the centenary celebrations.

O'Reillys would like to offer a discount of 20% off a two-night accommodation stay in the Retreat for this weekend. Just mention the Centenary Masses when booking to receive this discount.

If attending either of these gatherings over the weekend, we ask that you email Catherine O'Reilly cathe-rine.oreilly4275@gmail.com to help us accommodate everyone - especially in our small church.

We hope that many of you will join in this celebration with us.

Money Counters – May

5th—Peter, 11th—Colleen, 18th—Trish, 25th—Peter

The Marantha Prayer Group joyfully invites you to a
Women's Retreat.

*Come share in the joy of our Lord,
stories, inspiration, music, laughter, learning, prayer,
good food and some well deserved rest!*

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Date : Saturday, 30th May 2026

Time : 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Location : St. Catherine's Worship Centre,
3356 Moggill Rd, Moggill QLD 4070



For enquiries call, Our Lady of the Rosary Kenmore Parish Office (07) 3324 3630
Registrations close on 15th May 2026

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"Be who you were created to be and set the world on fire." - St. Catherine of Siena

"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." - Mother Theresa



FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

WALK WITH JESUS



SCAN FOR MORE INFO

Procession begins at

2PM SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2026

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Month of Mary

May is traditionally dedicated as the Month of Mary in the Catholic Church. Mary is our patron saint so we will express our love and devotion to her in this month. All are invited to join us before every mass in this month to recite rosary.



Are you, or someone you know, wanting to know more about the Catholic Church or join our faith community?

Would you just like to talk about it without having to commit?

RCIA is a group of believers in the parish who meet regularly, and are ready to talk about any questions you may have! To begin a conversation, call the Parish Office 07 5541 1068, or email:

stmarys@bne.catholic.net.au



Mass Times: 11th - 17th May

Divine Mercy Devotion: Every Sunday 3.00pm — 3.15pm, St. Mary's Church, Beaudesert. All Welcome.

Reconciliation—before weekday Masses. Please call (07) 5541 1068

<u>Monday 11th</u>	<u>Tuesday 12th</u>	<u>Wednesday 13th</u>	<u>Thursday 14th</u>	<u>Friday 15th</u>	<u>Saturday 16th</u>	<u>Sunday 17th</u>
No mass	Beaudesert	Tamborine Mt	Beaudesert	Beaudesert	Rathdowney	Tambourine Mt
	5:00pm	9:00am	7:00am	8:50 am	4:30pm	7:30am
		Beaudesert			Beaudesert	Beaudesert
		Adoration			6:30pm	Mass
		4:30pm				9:30am
		Mass				
		5:30pm				

Our Mission

'Guided by the Holy Spirit, we aim to be an evangelising, listening and faith-filled parish; underpinned by the values of compassion, inclusivity and love of neighbour.' Our mission is: **evangelisation** of our parish and wider communities; **liturgy and prayer opportunities** that form, inform and transform our faith; **pastoral support** through initiatives that invite people to share their gifts and talents; and **leadership** that supports life-long faith formation and promotes responsible stewardship of our resources.

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